THE WEATHER

Snow tonight; Saturday fair and colder; increasing variable winds.

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JURY DISAGREES IN CASE AGAINST PROPRIETOR OF WASHINGTON TAVERN

The jury which heard the case of Mrs. Elizabeth Lake, widow of Joseph Lake, vs. Henry W. Garrity, proprietor of the old Washington tavern, reported a disagreement shortly before 1 o'clock this afternoon after more than 24 hours' deliberation. This is the longest period that a jury has remained out trying to decide a civil case in the local court house for many years, the jury staying out more than two hours longer than the panel that heard the Walker-Gage case a few days ago.

Mrs. Lake sued to recover for the death of her husband, who sustained a fracture of the skull in a fall in front of the Washington tavern in December, 1916. The evidence submitted was to the effect that Lake was ordered to leave the defendant's

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ALLIES YIELD TO THE REQUEST OF UNITED STATES

LONDON, Dec. 15, 11.30 a. m.—The entente powers have decided to grant safe conduct to Count Tarnowski von Tarnow, recently appointed Austro-Hungarian ambassador to the United States.

The foreign office made this announcement today, saying the entente had decided to grant the safe conduct in consideration of the representations made by the American government. The American ambassador, Walter H. Page, has been notified.

PREMIER LLOYD GEORGE IS MUCH BETTER

EXPECTS TO BE ABLE TO GO BEFORE HOUSE OF COMMONS ON TUESDAY

LONDON, Dec. 15. Premier Lloyd George was much better this morning. He has every expectation of being able to go before the house of commons on Tuesday. In the meantime he will remain indoors.

NOTICE

New Velours for Practical Gifts. Bring Hat or the size

DELORME, THE HATTER

Sun Building
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FREE CITY DELIVERY

COBURN'S CHRISTMAS CANDLES

Red Birthday Candles
FOUR DOZEN FOR 9c

Tree Candles, two sizes
Boxes of 24 and 36, at 10c

½ lb. Xmas Candles.... .06
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Banquet Candles
Assorted Colors. Self-fitting Ends
DOZEN, 15c

Antique Candlesticks
Candle Included, 10c

Tack Holders for tree candles
DOZEN, 5c

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CHALIFOUX'S
ON THE SQUARE

7 MORE SHOPPING DAYS BEFORE XMAS

HOW TO START A STORE
1. A place.
2. A stock.
3. Salespeople to sell it.
4. People to keep records.

HOW TO MAKE IT GROW
1. The right merchandise.
2. At the right time.
3. At the right place.

HOW TO MAKE IT EXCEL
1. Perfect service in all departments. This store was started years ago. It is growing. Come in and see the above standards in operation. It will be our pleasure to entertain you and, we trust, your pleasure to come again.

GREECE ACCEPTS THE ENTENTE ULTIMATUM

LONDON, Dec. 15, 3.10 p. m.—The Greek government has accepted the ultimatum presented by the entente allies, says a despatch from Athens to the Central News agency.

BILL TO PROHIBIT LIQUOR ADS FROM MAILS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—A bill prohibiting the transmission of liquor advertisements by mail to anyone except licensed liquor dealers or agents, was favorably reported today by the house postoffice committee. It is aimed at the so-called mail order business in dry territory.

WANTED MORE SPENDING MONEY

Just because he only gave her 10 cents a week for spending money, Mike Hassan was complained of by his wife and brought before Judge Pickman at this morning's session of the police court on a charge of non-support. Mike entered a plea of not guilty and

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TODAY'S SNOW STORM THE REAL THING

Lowell took on a real wintry appearance today when a snow storm struck the city about 9.30 o'clock and continued throughout the day. The storm had all indications of growing to large proportions and by noon a thick coat covered the city. The Bay State Street Railway company had its plows out before the snow had been falling two hours to keep the tracks clear. The flakes fell steadily and kiddies, who have been waiting for weeks for a real storm, got busy with their sleds to enjoy their first coasting of the year.

WE HAVE THE FINEST LINE OF

Madeira Hand Embroideries

IN THE CITY

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99 to 103 GORHAM STREET

HOTEL NAPOLI

Friend St., Boston

Table D'Hote Lunch, 11 to 3.....50c
Table D'Hote Dinner, 5 to 9.....75c
Daily Combinations.....45c

Signor Palladino's Orchestra
Open Till Midnight

PRESIDENT WILSON NOT TO ACT UNTIL PREMIER LLOYD GEORGE HAS SPOKEN

Delays Decision on Peace Proposals Until After British Prime Minister Announces His Policies

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—President Wilson probably will not finally determine on any formal steps in connection with the peace proposals of the central powers until after David Lloyd George, the British prime minister, has spoken in the house of commons Tuesday.

In the meantime through the American diplomatic representatives in the capitals of the entente powers the American government will keep in close touch with the situation.

No formal comment was forthcoming today either from the White House or the state department. It is known to be the view of most of the cabinet members that the American government should move cautiously and do nothing to imperil its influence for peace.

Nations to Maintain Peace

President Wilson is known to attach great importance to the possibility of establishing an association of nations to maintain peace.

He outlined in definite terms the procedure he would take in initiating a peace movement, in the course of a speech delivered here last May before the League to Enforce Peace. At that time the president said:

"If it should ever be our privilege to suggest or initiate the movement

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SOCIETY DAY AT LOWELL'S BIG AUTO SHOW

Today was "Society Day" at the Lowell Automobile show in the state armory in Westford street and in spite of the unfavorable weather there was a fair sized attendance this afternoon. Many features have been added for today and a record attendance is expected before the show closes this

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If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

AUTOMOBILE TRUCK HIT TOURING CAR

An automobile truck belonging to the Foster Grain Co. collided with a touring car owned by a Lawrence man near the corner of Merrimack and Worthen streets, shortly before noon today. Nobody was injured. It is understood that the slippery street was responsible for the accident. One wheel was ripped off the Lawrence machine but the truck was not damaged. There were two occupants in the touring car.

CARD OF THANKS

We, the undersigned, desire to express our heartfelt thanks for the many kind acts extended us at the time of our recent bereavement. We are especially grateful to the members of l'Union St. Jean Baptiste d'Amerique and Lawrence Mfg. Co. operatives, and will ever hold these acts in loving remembrance.

The Grenier Family.

UNION MARKET
173-175-177 MIDDLESEX
FOOT OF SOUTH ST.

Our Best Trades Today Are:

Shoulders	12½c	Sugar, limited	7½c
Legs and Loins Lamb	15c	Canned Peas, 3 cans	25c
Pork Loins	14c	Can String Beans, 2 cans	25c
Legs and Loins Veal, cut short,	15c	Tomato Soup, 3 cans	25c
Fresh Killed Fowl	20c	Eggs, warranted fresh	35c
Pork Chops	14c	Butter, extra Vermont creamery, very fancy	42c
Corned Beef, ribs in	10c	Swift's Butterine	20c
Potatoes	45c pk.	Moxley's Butterine	28c

ROUND STEAK 12½c — From 2 to 4 p. m. No Telephone Orders Taken on Specials

DON'T FORGET—8-Cup Aluminum Coffee Percolator with 1 lb. best Coffee, $1.49. Regular price of percolator $2.50, coffee 35c, total $2.85.

Best Coffees 19c, 24c, 31c

No Lower—No Higher

Our Leader Tea, fancy, marks up to 60c.....25c
Marshmallow Cream today, ...10c size 9c; 25c size 23c
All 10c Goods Today 6c

SOME GOOD LEADERS ON FRUIT

Large Ripe Pineapples .....3 for 25c
This is a rare trade and much more tasty than the canned product.

Florida Oranges, golden russet	19c	over 2 lbs. each	3 for 25c
Florida Oranges, empires	25c	Florida Grapefruit, small	5c
Florida Oranges, royals	35c	See Our Apple Display from 15c pk. to 25c doz.	
Florida Grapefruit, weighing		Malaga Grapes,	2 lbs. 25c

Do Not Buy Your Christmas Trees, Wreaths and Holly Until You Get Our Prices—Trees from 25c up; Wreaths 15c up; Live Holly 10c to 25c a bunch.

VEGETABLES

Squash	4c	Cabbage	3c
Parsnips	3c	Cranberries, qt.	5c
Carrots	4c	Celery	10c
Turnips	3c	Onions	3 lbs. 10c
		Garlic	2 for 5c

WE SAVE YOU 20c ON EVERY $1—$1 ON EVERY $5

NEW WAR CREDIT PASSES LOWER HOUSE

LONDON, Dec. 15.—The new war credit for £400,000,000 introduced in the house of commons yesterday by Andrew Bonar Law, chancellor of the exchequer, passed through all its stages in the lower house this afternoon.

INCREASE VALUE OF COUNTRY'S FARM CROPS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—A decrease of sixty million bushels in the corn crop from the estimate made in November and an increase of 82,000,000 bushels in the wheat crop were shown today in the department of agriculture's fiscal estimate of the country's important farm crops. Their value, based on prices being paid farmers Dec. 1, show vast increases over last year's totals. This year's corn crop is worth $575,163,000 more than last year's, the wheat crop $83,462,00 more; oats $96,673,000 more; potatoes $95,071,000 more, hay $35,250,000 more; tobacco $72,757,000 more and cotton $475,378,000 more.

$337,000,000 POSTAL APPROPRIATION BILL

RETAINS POSTMASTER GENERAL'S RECOMMENDATION FOR CURTAILING TUBE SERVICE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15. The $337,000,000 postal appropriation bill, as agreed on today by the house committee, retains Postmaster General Burleson's recommendations for curtailing pneumatic tube service and also retains a provision establishing zones for second class matter, designed to raise the postage rates on periodicals. The bill will be reported immediately.

MUST SEEK RE-ELECTION

LONDON, Dec. 15.—The house of commons today passed the third reading of the bill making it necessary for the new ministers already members of the house of commons to seek re-election.

MORE SHIPS SUNK

LONDON, Dec. 15.—Lloyds shipping agency announces that the Norwegian steamer Kaupanger has been sunk and the Portuguese steamer Leca, formerly the German steamer Enos and the British steamer Glenroe, are reported sunk.

Devine's Trunk Store
Removed to
156 Merr'k St., Opp. Bon Marche
BEST LINE OF LEATHER GOODS IN LOWELL

FARRELL & CONATON
PLUMBERS, STEAM, GAS AND WATER FITTERS
243 Dutton St. Tel. 1513

THE MAYOR IS IN FAVOR OF COMMISSION FOR HIGH SCHOOL

Mayor O'Donnell, at today's meeting of the municipal council, came out in favor of a commission of ten, to have charge of the erection of the new high school, and a motion to have the city solicitor draft a bill to that effect to the legislature was passed. The meeting was called at noon and all the commissioners were present. Eight men were selected to serve as jurors at the coming session of the superior court, and many important matters came up for action. Before the passing of the mayor's motion, there was an animated discussion relating to the attitude of the school committee on high school contracts.

A petition was read for a police box at the corner of Methuen street, signed by a number of Centralville residents. Referred to mayor as head of police department.

The following eight men were drawn by Commissioner Putnam to serve as traverse jurors at the session of the superior court, Jan. 2, 1917:

Allan Fraser, 13 McKinley avenue, merchant.

Charles F. Nichols, 75 Woorworth avenue, mechanic.

Frederick A. Chase, 19 Nesmith street, librarian.

Thomas F. McKay, 470 Rogers street, cracker dealer.

Henry F. Eastman, 327 Rogers street, mechanical engineer.

Donat Blazon, 131 Gershom avenue, printer.

Harvey B. Greene, 76 Marlboro street florist.

Patrick F. Nestor, 318 Stackpole street, lamplighter.

School Board's Letter

An order was put in by Commissioner Morse authorizing the Bay State Street railway to lay temporary tracks on Appleton street, and it was so voted.

A communication was received from the school committee protesting against the method of awarding bids for high school and favoring the calling of bids in two ways, viz.: one general contract and several divided contracts. Following is the letter:

Dec. 14, 1916

To the Municipal Council of the City of Lowell.

Gentlemen:—

At a special meeting of the school committee on Dec. 14, 1916, the vote recently passed by the municipal council concerning the manner of calling for bids for the projected new high school was considered.

In the discussion of this matter at the joint meeting of the municipal council, the advisory board and the school committee, the sense of the majority of these three boards was that bids should be called for in two ways, namely, separate bids on seven separate contracts and one comprehensive bid upon the entire work. It was then at that time understood by the school committee that bids would be called for in the two ways above specified.

Section 55 of the city charter provides that "no work shall be begun on the construction * * * of a school building unless the approval of the school committee therefor is first obtained."

The school committee believe that under this section of the charter the responsibility of approving the beginning of work on the new high school rests with them. The manner of calling for bids and of letting contracts is, in their opinion, a most important element in the construction of such a building, and they therefore deem it proper at this time to state to the municipal council their conviction that the method adopted is not for the best interests of the city.

The school committee believe that if the work is done under separate contracts delays and disputes will inevitably arise and increased expense will result. In restricting competition to local contractors the city will lose the benefit of extended competition, particularly among firms which have made a specialty of the construction of school buildings.

The school committee believe that at least bids should be called for in the alternative so that a comparison can be made between the cost of a general contract and the total cost of separate contracts. Considering the time which has already elapsed since the first step was taken toward the construction of a new high school building, the school committee are deeply concerned over the prospect of further delay before suitable accommodations can be provided for the high school.

Consequently the school committee feel that they cannot concur in the action taken by the municipal council with respect to the bids for the new high school, and they recommend that a general bid be called for, as was originally determined upon, and that the competition be not restricted to local contractors.

Very respectfully,
Hugh J. Molloy,
Secretary.

Communication Discussed

Commissioner Morse moved that the communication be placed on file.

Mayor O'Donnell stated that if the position of the school committee is sound the council will be involved in serious difficulty. If their protest is heeded it will mean new delay. He said that he does not feel that the fault is with the municipal council but that any new delay would be laid at the doors of the municipal council.

"The school committee says that the charter gives them the right to say what form of bids shall be called for, said the mayor. "Why then not call for general bids instead of placing communications on file?"

Commissioner Morse said that the vote has been taken and so far as he is concerned the men of Lowell will be given the contracts.

Mr. Putnam: "Do you think, Mr. Mayor, that they have the right to say how we shall call for bids?"

Mayor O'Donnell: "This is the section of the charter referred to." He then read the clause that the claim is based on.

Commissioner Donnelly: "Why not submit the matter to the city solicitor?"

Mayor O'Donnell: "That is agreeable to me."

Commissioner Morse: "We have voted already. I think the school board wants only a general contract."

Mayor O'Donnell: "Why should we take an arbitrary position?"

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IRISH QUESTION IN HOUSE OF COMMONS

LONDON, Dec. 15.—During the debate in the house of commons in the report stage today on the vote of credit the nationalist members brought up the Irish question. Major William Redmond, member for East Clair, said he in the past had been in bitter opposition to the new ministers, but that he had come to the conclusion on the question of a government for Ireland and said that an understanding for a settlement between Irishmen of the north and the south was quite possible.

Troops from Ulster and the south provinces, the speaker said, were in pretty close contact, and it had been remarkable that there had not been under any circumstances anything but the very best and kindliest feeling between the men from the north and the south.

Redmond, who is a major in the Irish division, is spending a short leave in England. He paid a glowing tribute to the valor of the Irish troops and said there was only one thing to do and that was to back up the men at the front.

Andrew Bonar Law, the government leader in the house of commons, replying to Major Redmond, said the desire for a new state of things in Ireland, if it could be attained, was not confined to Irishmen. It was a great thing, he added, that for the first time an official of the nationalist party stood on the side of the empire. It was his heartiest wish, as deeply seated as that of Major Redmond, that some change between Ireland and the rest of the United Kingdom and between one part of Ireland and the other should take place. One thing that would influence the people of the United Kingdom more than anything else, Mr. Bonar Law said, was that Irishmen were killing to run the same risks as they were running.

BOSTON & MAINE NEGOTIATING FOR PARK

Report has it that for some time past the officials of the Boston & Maine railroad have been negotiating for the purchase of Rockingham Park in Salem, N. H. The park is now the property of Edward F. Searles of Windham, N. H. In the past years, fairs have been run on the grounds, but it is believed that they have been unprofitable for the owner, and the Boston & Maine experts for this reason to obtain the property at a reasonable sum. What the company's intentions are in buying it is not known, but in all probability the fairs will be continued under a new management.

FIRST GENERAL SNOWSTORM OF SEASON

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—The first general snow storm of the season extended to all parts of New England today. While no unusually low temperatures were reported, the weather bureau announced that colder weather would prevail tomorrow with continued snow flurries in the northern portion.

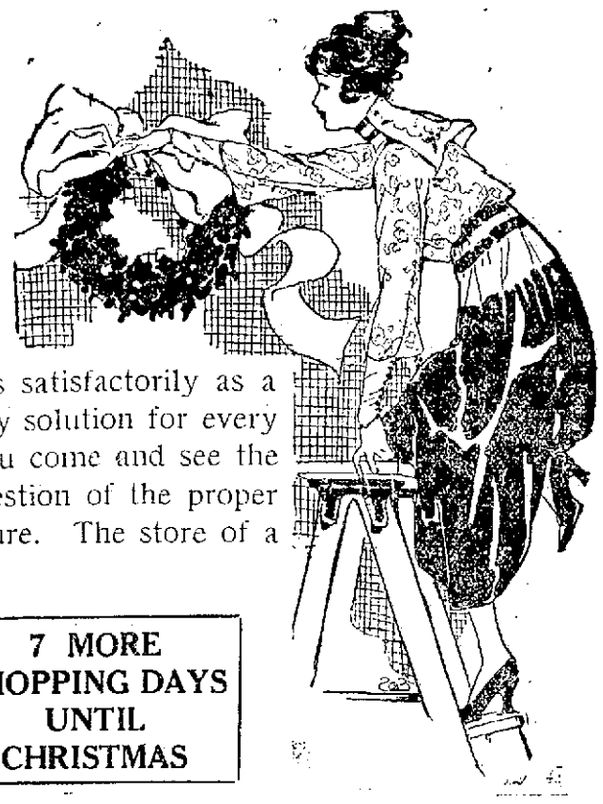
Storm warnings were hoisted along the coast from Atlantic City to Boston as the strong east to north winds were expected to reach gale proportions by tomorrow.

Snow began falling in this city soon after daylight.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

BETTER PURCHASE SENSIBLE—SERVICEABLE KIND OF GIFTS, THE KIND WE SELL—THEY ARE MORE SATISFACTORY IN THE END.

The Bon Marche
DRY GOODS CO.



WHAT SHALL I GIVE?

No thought that you can conjure up of what to give for Christmas will serve to settle the doubt as satisfactorily as a little journey through these varied, helpful and appropriate holiday stocks, for in them lies the happy solution for every problem, large and small. Even with no thought in mind of purchasing we shall be glad to have you come and see the store in all the beauty of its holiday decorations. So for once and all you can safely dismiss the question of the proper gift to make—it is certainly here somewhere, and waiting to solve the question to your utmost pleasure. The store of a thousand gift suggestions is ready for you.

Men's Furnishings

Men's Silk Neckwear, 50c, 65c and $1.00

Men's Shirts, laundered and soft cuffs, $1.00 to $3.50 Each

Men's Pajamas, in cotton or flannelette, $1.15 to $2.25 Suit

New Scarfs, for men or women.....50c to $7.98

Men's Bath Robes, $4.98, $6.98, $8.98

Men's Gloves, $1.00 to $2.00 Pair

Beautiful Xmas WAISTS

New Georgettes, New Crepe de Chine, New Lingerie

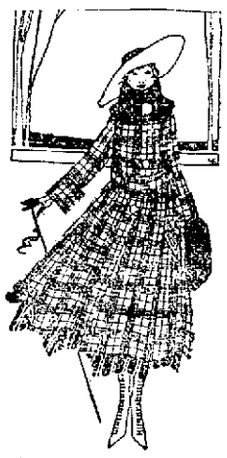
We are prepared for a tremendous Christmas rush. Select your Waists from Lowell's largest waist stock. Special in Holiday boxes,

98c, $1.98, $2.98, $4.98.

Other Beautiful Waists—$3.98, $5.98, $6.98, $7.98, $9.98 up to $25.00.

Special Sale of COATS

One hundred coats from our regular stock marked at special prices for Friday and Saturday only.



One lot of coats that were $16.95, $17.95, $19.95, $22.50. Friday and Saturday special for,

$14.98

One lot of coats that were $29.50, $32.50, $35.00. Friday and Saturday special for,

$26.50

One big lot of coats that were $15.00 and $16.50. Sale price,

$11.95

7 MORE SHOPPING DAYS UNTIL CHRISTMAS

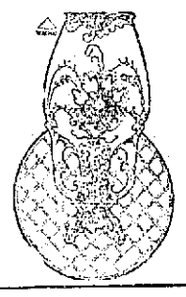
Christmas Bath Robes
AT SPECIAL PRICES

300 women's bath robes just in and will go on sale today. Beacon blankets and eiderdown. These will go on sale at two prices.

150 Bath Robes made from Beacon blankets, good full style, best shades, all sizes. Worth $4.00. Special price, ...**$2.98**

150 Bath Robes made of fine blankets, some with woven borders, also eiderdown in new shades. Worth $5.98. Special price, **$4.98**

China from the Famous Marimura Factory



Values to 49c Specially Priced at 25c—Button Boxes, Bon Bons, Vases, Trays, Baby Plates, etc.

Values to 89c Priced at 49c—Whipped Cream Sets, Puff and Hair Boxes, Olive Dishes, Covered Jugs, etc.

$1.98 Whipped Cream or Mayonnaise Dish 98c—Unusually fine assortment, choice of several designs.

$2.98 Celery Sets, of 7 Pieces, $1.98—Best white body, beautiful patterns, choice of 3 designs $1.98

Pretty Neckwear For Christmas Gifts

All the newest ideas are shown in this important accessory to women's dress. You'll choose wisely in many cases if you decide to give neckwear.

Muslin Collars, large and small shapes 25c

Muslin and Lace Trimmed Collars, round and sailor shapes 50c

Chiffon and Georgette Crepe Collars, pleated and tucked, 50c

Georgette Crepe Collars, heavy quality 69c

Broadcloth Collars, all different styles 50c

Georgette Collars, extra heavy and embroidered, $1.00

Broadcloth Collars, sailor and round shapes, some embroidered, $1.00 to $2.98

Collar and Cuff Sets from, 50c to $2.98

Embroidered Georgette Collar and Cuff Sets, $1.00 to $2.98

Boudoir Caps—

Boudoir caps of Georgette crepe, muslin or lace..25c

Boudoir Caps of silk and lace, all colors 50c

A very beautiful line of caps of silk and lace, a number of styles from, 75c to $1.98

Muslin and lace trimmed caps with apron to match, 50c, 75c, $1.00 Set

Spanish Lace Scarfs for evening wear,...$1.50 to $4.98

Crepe de Chine Scarfs, all colors, for evening wear, $1.00 to $3.98

SATIN HATS The Leading Style

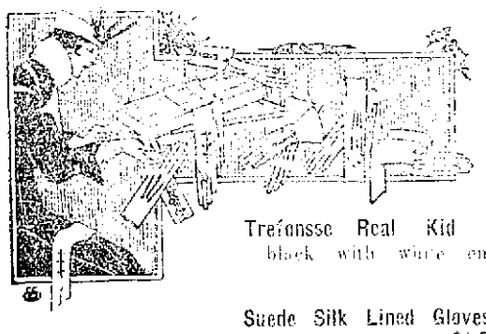
A new assortment of satin hats—Come in military turbans, large sailors and rolling brims, trimmed with uncut ostrich, paradise aigrette, military pom poms and wings; black, white and colors. Prices $3.98, $4.98, $5.98

Useful gifts for children and misses—Brushed Wool Angora Sets, toque and scarf; white and colors. Prices, $1.98, $2.49 Set

Separate Scarf $1.00

Separate Toque 98c

Kid Gloves



A most desirable gift—a pair or a half dozen pairs of Gloves will be very acceptable to anyone. See how well you can do here in this purchase.

Trefousse Real Kid Gloves—In black with wide embroidery, $2.00

Suede Silk Lined Gloves In tan, gray and black $1.25, $1.75

Washable Kid—In sand, gray, tan, putty, canary and white, $1.65, $1.75

Chamoisette Cashmere Gloves—2-clasp, in tan, gray, black and white 59c, 75c, 89c

Kid Gloves—One-clasp, in tan and white $1.00

Washable Kid—In sand, gray, tan, putty shades, pique and prix seams, $1.25

Elite Suede Gloves—1-clasp, in pearl, gray and canary shades $1.75

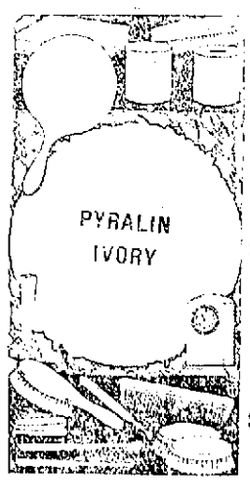
Children's Kid Gloves—In tan and white washable, $1.25

Children's Lined Gloves—In tan, gray, wool and silk med 79c, $1.25

Children's Wool Gloves—Wool Gloves and Mittens, 29c

Pyralin Ivory and Toilet Articles

Ivory and silver sets, perfumes, toilet water, trays, boxes, etc. Each article is of the appreciated sort, that there is joy in giving and receiving.



Pyralin Ivory Mirrors, $1.95—Handsome, heavy quality Pyralin ivory in round shape mirror, best French plate, 6 inch size. $3.00 value. Special $1.95

$2.50 MANICURE TRAYS, $1.49—Ivory manicure trays, boudoir style, 7 pieces, in pink or blue velvet lining. Special $1.49

Shaving Sets In metal, nickel plated, in a great variety, at, 39c, 69c, 98c up to $6.98

Other High Grade Toilet Sets in ivory and fancy silver, at, $7.98, $9.98 to $30.00

SPECIAL Children's $1.50 Ivory Comb and Brush Sets, fancy lined box for .....69c Set

Silver Plated Ware of Only Recognized Worth Here

Community, 1847 and Wm. Rogers Mfg. Co. Stock complete to last detail with things useful in every household. Priced from, 25c to $25.00

Children's Sets—Knife, fork and spoon ....25c to $2.98

Children's Mugs, large variety .....49c to $1.49

Covered Casseroles are popular and useful. Priced, 98c to $5.98

Pickle Jars, crystal and colored glass...$1.49 to $2.98

Silver Service Tea Sets, 4 pieces—Tea pot, sugar, creamer and spoon holder, plain and engraved, colonial and French gray finish. Priced, $3.98 to $27.98

Castor and Condiment Sets, 2, 3, 4 and 5 bottle sets. Priced .....25c to $4.25

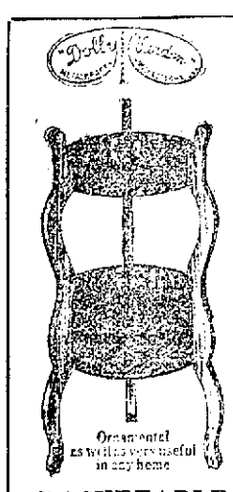
Nut Bowls, gold lined, 75c to $5.98

Silver Chests, oak, mahogany and maroon cases, 26, 32 and 36 pieces, all makes—Rogers, 1847 and Community silver, $6.49 to $32.00

Sterling Silverware, pieces for the table: asparagus server, pie knife, berry spoon, butter knife, sugar spoon, cheese knife, etc. Specially priced, $1.49 to $4.25

Carving Sets in fancy boxes, knife, fork and steel, stag, ivory and all silver handles. Priced at ..$1.98 to $14.98

USEFUL AND ACCEPTABLE GIFTS FROM OUR UPHOLSTERY DEPARTMENT



BASKETABLE

SPECIAL

THE DOLLY VARDEN

The handy sewing basket or fancy work and embroidery table made of metal and wood, handsomely cretonne lined, removable, reproduction of hand carved trays, fancy oak legs, size 29 inches high, 12 inch trays. Price....**$2.98**

Fireplace or Wood Baskets, $1.98 to $3.00

Hassocks and Foot Stools, all prices.

Leather and Felt Top Folding Card Tables, $1.75, $2.25, $2.35

Cedar Chests Beautiful cedar chests, prices from, $8.98 to $25.00

Fancy Baskets Work, embroidery, sewing, baskets and stand....49c to $7.00

Fancy Waste Baskets, 25c to $3.49

Cretonne Work Stands, $1.49

Shirt Waist Boxes Cretonne, matting and leatherette covered.....$1.98 to $5.98

Art Doily Sets For dainty lunch or bureau sets, 4, 10 and 11 piece sets.....50c

Sofa Cushions, 98c to $1.50

Piano Scarfs or half tapestry quilts .....59c to $5.00

OTHER USEFUL GIFTS

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Rug Rugs.

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Smokers' Ash Trays.

Smokers' Match Trays.

Smokers' Pipe Racks.

Men's Necktie Racks.

[Representing Elks, Moose, G. O. P. (Elephant), Yale (Bull dog, jockey), Red Men (Indian head).]

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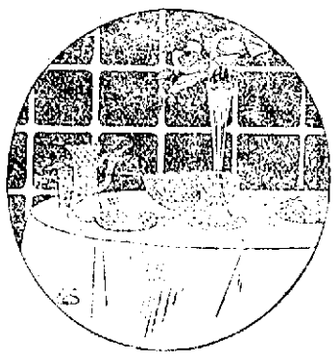

7 Piece Water Sets, $1.49 to $12.98

7 Piece Sherbet Sets, $3.49 to $4.98

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Hundreds of other desirable things priced at, 25c, 49c, 98c and Up

SPECIAL $3.49 Cut Glass Bowls, floral and mitre cuttings. Special $2.69

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LAST WEEK OF THIS SALE

FREE TROUSERS

The Balance of the M. J. Callan stock of Haverhill, Mass.
Former prices $20 to $35---positively the last few days.
Suit to Order $12.50 with Free Trousers

Through the receiver, Judge Cavan of Haverhill, Mass., last week I purchased for cash the entire stock and fixtures of M. T. Callan, Tailor, who for some time occupied the street store at 38 Main St., Haverhill—where he catered to the best trade in the city.

This stock embraces goods purchased from such well known houses as Blake & Stearns, F. W. Talcott, Frieze Co., and Strong, Hewitt. These firms sell mostly confined styles and represent anywhere from $20.00 to $35.00 in Suit value.

I never put any goods on the shelf. I clean up every one of my big purchases. When I am making a clean-up I don't figure to make any profit. I stand to lose a percentage, but I sell out every yard of stock and charge my loss up to advertising—Why?

Instead of being kept on my shelves these ends of fine cloth that originally cost $2.25 to $3.50 a yard, I put out in well made Suits on the backs of satisfied customers. These walking advertisements more than offset the loss occasioned by making the Suits at **$12.50.**

Furthermore I pledge my business honor that in this clean-up sale of $12.50 Suits with free Pants, you will get my best cutters and fitters on the job and you will have guaranteed linings and trimmings, etc., and if you are not fully satisfied when your garment is completed, when you put it on—I will make you a new Suit or give you your money back.

I am talking now to the intelligent men who for reasons best known to themselves, must be economical, and to the man who has enough business sense to realize that I am giving him the tailoring opportunity of the Fall season of 1916 and 1917.

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BONAR LAW'S SPEECH IN COMMONS

LONDON, Dec. 14.—In moving a vote of credit of £400,000,000 in the house of commons today A. Bonar Law, chancellor of the exchequer, decided to confine his speech entirely to the financial side of the war and, in the absence of Premier Lloyd George and former Premier Asquith, owing to illness, it was expected the debate would be merely along this line. However, this will not prevent members of the small group of peace advocates from asking questions in an effort to draw out the government in regard to Germany's peace proposal although it was regarded as unlikely that they would succeed. The proposal of the central powers had not been received at the foreign office this morning and as it is understood simply to offer to open negotiations containing no terms, the consultations of the entente allies regarding it are expected to be purely formal, preliminary to the transmission of a joint reply. In any event Great Britain will make no official comment until Russia, France and her other allies express their views.

Today's vote of credit is the 14th since the outbreak of the war, bringing up the total for the present financial year to £1,750,000,000 and the grand total for the war to £3,552,000,000.

While there is always a large attendance of members on the day a vote of credit is moved, even more than usual interest was shown in today's proceedings owing to curiosity as to whether any change would be announced in the manner of financing the war and as to the reception by the liberals of the new chancellor's policy.

Mr. Bonar Law said the actual expenditure had exceeded the estimate owing to the increase in munitions and additional loans to Great Britain's allies and to her dominions.

Replying in the house of commons today to a question put by Arthur Lynch, nationalist member for West Clare, suggesting that many particulars in the policy of the British government with regard to the United States had been of an irritating kind without any compensation corresponding to the danger of producing misunderstandings, Lord Robert Cecil, minister of blockade, said:

"It unfortunately is inevitable that our measures should cause inconvenience to the citizens of neutral countries. Much as we regret it I can only say that, consistently with the paramount duties of using our belligerent rights we have done and are doing all we can to make their exercise as little irksome to neutrals as possible."

Blockade of Greece

In the house of commons today Lord Robert Cecil, minister of blockade, said that the complete blockade of Greek ports did not imply a state of war between Greece and the entente allies.

Fully alive to the dangers of delay in dealing with what he termed the unsatisfactory situation in Greece, Lord Robert Cecil told the house that the entente allies were about to present certain demands to the Greek government for the purpose of clearing it up.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

Don't be discouraged

My face was even worse than yours till I found that

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Just wash your face with Resinol Soap and hot water, dry and apply gently a little Resinol Ointment. Let this stay on for ten minutes, then wash off with more Resinol Soap. In a few days pimples, redness and roughness simply vanish! I know that sounds too good to be true but it *is* true. Try it and see!

All druggists sell Resinol Ointment and Resinol Soap. For a free sample of each, write to Dept. 4-R, Resinol, Baltimore, Md. *Use Resinol Soap for oily.*

WILL OF EMPEROR FRANCIS JOSEPH OF AUSTRIA

MUNICH, Dec. 13, via London, Dec. 14.—The Neueste Nachrichten says that 60,000,000 crowns was willed by Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria-Hungary from his private fortune for a fund for the benefit of wounded soldiers, invalids and relatives of men killed in the war. Two daughters and one granddaughter receive 20,000,000 crowns each. Of the remainder of the late emperor's private fortune 10,000,000 crowns was divided among various legatees.

CALLS FOR INQUIRY INTO HIGH COST OF LIVING

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The Borland resolution, ordering the federal trade commission to investigate all angles of the high cost of living, including the producing capacity of the United States and possible violations of the anti-trust laws, was favorably reported today by the house judiciary committee.

This is the first of the high cost of living proposals acted upon in the house. It was introduced only about a week ago, and the quick action by the committee was a surprise even to Mr. Borland himself.

BRITISH SHIP SUNK

LONDON, Dec. 14. — A Lloyds announcement today says:

"The steamer Harlington, previously reported as having struck a mine on Dec. 9, sank and the crew was picked up by the steamer Harlyn which was sunk later. Nine lives were lost."

The Harlington and Harlyn were both British steamers, Lloyds announced on Dec. 16th that both had been "damaged."

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SLEEPYTIME TALES

BABY SISTER'S BATH

Once upon a time, when Lucy was about three years old, a cute little baby sister came to live with her at her home. Lucy had never had a sister, in fact, had had none but dolls to play with and, of course, she wanted to play with the baby all of the time, for it could make many more kinds of noises than her dolls and could move about, and open and shut its eyes and kick up its feet and lots of things.

Lucy always gave her dolls a bath once in so often, as every good mother does her children. The dolls showed it too for they were all washed out and funny looking from so much water, and Lucy's mother had to buy new dolls very often to keep some, at least, looking like real dolls.

Lucy wanted very much to give the new baby a bath and had watched nurse do it until she thought she knew just how to do it. She couldn't see, however, why the baby should be handled so carefully and thought it could just as well be dumped into the bathtub and soaked under water for hours at a time, just as were her dolls.

One day, when the nurse was downstairs and she was left alone with the baby, she decided that she would give her little sister a bath like the dolls had which she was sure was the only sensible way to keep a person clean.

So she took baby in her arms and half carried and half dragged her into the bathroom and managed to get her undressed and put her in the cold tub without any water in it. Then she carefully turned on the cold water while baby squirmed and cried and kicked its fat legs in anger, for baby had never been treated so roughly before and didn't like the feeling of the cold water. Pretty soon the water began to rise higher and higher and baby began to sputter and choke until even Lucy realized that her dolls never acted that way. So she turned off the water and ran as fast as she could to get nurse and find out why baby did not take a bath with as much quietness as did her dolls.

Of course the nurse was horrified when she found poor baby sputtering and shaking with cold in the bathtub. She grabbed her out, wrapped her in warm blankets and put her in her nice little crib with a bottle of hot milk to drink.

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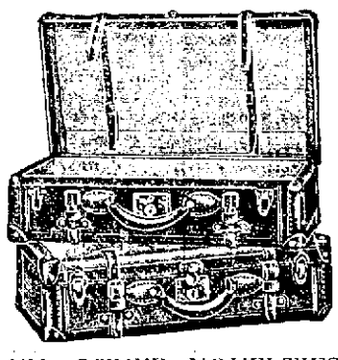
Professional Bags, $1.25 to $10.00
Fitted Bags.....$10.00 to $20.00
Hand Bags.....$1.00 to $10.00
Collar Bags.....50c to $5.00
Pocketbooks.....25c to $5.00
Fitted Toilet Cases, $1.00 to $20.00
Manicure Sets.....$1.00 to $15.00
Medicine Sets.....50c to $3.00
Military Brushes....$1.00 to $5.00



Cigar Cases.....$1.00 to $5.00
Flasks.....$1.00 up
Drinking Cups.....50c up
Vacuum Bottles.....$1.50 to $3.50
Mirrors.....50c up
Watch Bracelets.....50c up
Music Rolls.....50c to $5.00
Music Satchels.....$2.00 to $5.00
Jewel Boxes.....$1.00 to $8.00
Brief Cases.....$2.50 to $10.00

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DRASTIC REGULATIONS TO RELIEVE CAR SHORTAGE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Drastic regulations adopted by the railroads went into effect today with the approval of the interstate commerce commission, as emergency measures to relieve the shortage of freight cars which for months has been a brake on the country's commerce and affected the high cost of living.

The remedy is the railroads' own, proposed by the car service commission of the American Railroad association and formally approved by the federal commission. The first regulation provides that a consignee may have the usual two days to unload a car and that thereafter demurrage shall be charged at the rate of one dollar for the first day, two dollars for the second, three dollars for the third and five dollars for the fourth and each succeeding day. Heretofore the charge has been uniformly one dollar a day and many consignees, notably automobile concerns and coal dealers, are declared to have been glad to permit shipments to stand for long periods because the penalty was so small that it compared favorably with warehouse charges.

Another order increases the daily rental paid by railroads to each other for cars from 45 to 75 cents per car, or about 70 per cent. The order is expected to make serious difficulties for some small roads which never have had sufficient equipment of their own.

Foreign cars on congested roads are said to have come almost wholly from southern and western roads. Reports to the interstate commerce commission show that they glut the railroad yards and sidings of most eastern lines and many in the middle west. The trend of traffic, because of the European demand for American goods, has been overwhelmingly toward eastern seaports.

The rise in the price of coal is attributed almost wholly to the car shortage, aided by the alleged activities of speculators. While the east was paying panic prices for coal, the mines of the middle west, and to less degree of the anthracite section, were working with reduced forces or on part time in many instances, because there was not a sufficient supply of cars to handle the output. An order for the return of coal cars to their owners, loaded or empty, was issued several weeks ago by the car service commission to meet this condition.

In respect to foodstuffs the same situation is said to have applied, although it has been less acute. Recent orders of the commission which provide that receiving roads shall return box cars and refrigerator cars without delay to the owning lines are said to be showing effect now.

Further consideration of the problems presented by the shortage of cars was the subject of a conference here today of officials of eastern roads. A meeting of some of the chief shippers of the country will be held next week.

SPENDING MONEY

Continued

through an interpreter the couple told their story.

The woman who entered the court room with a three-weeks' old baby in her arms informed the court that she likes candy and cannot purchase enough with the ten cents her husband gives her every week. When questioned by Judge Pickman Mrs. Hassan stated she received all the food and clothing she wants and is properly housed, but she said she has no spending money. She also said she wants at least one dollar a week to lay aside as an emergency fund in case her husband has an argument with her and leaves her.

Hassan said he gives his wife between 50 cents and one dollar a week for spending money. He said he earns $10 a week, pays the rent and purchases the fuel, food and clothing.

The interpreter informed the court that Mrs. Hassan is now under bonds to the immigration officers and will be deported as soon as the war is over. The couple were married about four years ago at Tripoli. Hassan came here shortly after the wedding and two years ago Mrs. Hassan arrived in this country, but was prevented from landing by the immigration officers, until she had secured bonds. The woman came to Lowell and as soon as the war is over she will be sent back to Tripoli. After hearing this statement the court found the defendant not guilty and the couple left the court room arm in arm and smiling.

Had Forgotten Date

On Nov. 4 Napoleon Charest was found guilty of drunkenness and fined $15 and given until Dec. 11 to pay the fine, but Napoleon forgot the date and did not live up to the agreement. This morning he was taken in on a capias and endeavored to prove to the court that his time was not up, but the records were more convincing than Napoleon's word, and the latter finally admitted he was in the wrong and after assuring the court he would settle his debt with the county within a week, he was given another week's grace.

Cases Continued

William Pegadeotis was arraigned on a charge of selling cigarets to a minor, Thomas Norton and after entering a plea of not guilty, the case was continued till next Thursday.

Julius Goldman was charged with threatening Abraham Dinnerman and through his counsel he pleaded not guilty. The case at the request of counsel was continued till Dec. 22.

William S. O'Brien was given a sentence of 20 days in jail for drunkenness, while one offender was fined $6, another $5, and a third was released.

Juvenile Session

Joseph Brooks, a minor, who was arrested a few days ago, having a revolver in his possession, was arraigned at the juvenile court this morning and after being found guilty was ordered to pay a fine of $50.

PEACE REPORTS CAUSE CRASH IN WHEAT

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—Wheat crashed down in value today on account of peace reports. First sales showed a fall in some cases of 5 5-8c a bushel. May wheat touching $1.58 as against $1.66 1-4 to 5-8 at yesterday's finish.

Prices varied as much as five cents at the same instant in different parts of the pit. The opening range for May, the chief trading option, spread all the way from $1.58 to $1.63. Waves of selling accompanied the exciting break in values.

What chiefly sent prices whirling downward was the statement authorized by the German embassy in Washington that one of the most important subjects for discussion at a peace parley would be universal disarmament.

Yesterday's and this morning's break in the New York stock market also were factors. Yesterday's big decline in New York came too late to have much influence here until today.

The decline at the outset this morning made a total drop in wheat prices of about 18 cents a bushel since the first peace offer came from Berlin.

After the opening, still lower prices were reached, the extreme being $1.57 1-2 for May. Then the pressure became relatively exhausted and houses that of late have been free sellers, took to the buying side. Rallies, however, were not well maintained.

Within an hour losses had been widened to 10 5-8c a bushel. May wheat tumbled to $1.56 on the closing out of accounts in which margins had been swallowed up completely. As compared with prices a month ago the market at this stage was down more than 45 cents a bushel in the December delivery.

PREMIER OF RUMANIA HAS RESIGNED

LONDON, Dec. 15.—The resignation of Premier Bratiano of Rumania is reported by the Budapest newspaper Avilag quoted in an Exchange Telegraph despatch from Copenhagen.

A recent despatch from Jassy, the provisional capital of Rumania, said all the members of the Rumanian cabinet had resigned with the exception of the premier.

TO INCREASE FREIGHT RATES TO AMERICA

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 15, via London.—According to a despatch from Malmo, Sweden, to the National Tidende a decision to increase freight rates to America by 75 per cent. has been reached at a conference at Gothenburg by representatives of the Scandinavian-American line, the Danish United Steamship Co., the Norwegian-Mexico line, the Swedish-American-Mexico line and the largest Scandinavian exporters.

FUND NEARLY EXHAUSTED

General Sharpe Tells House Committee More Money Is Needed for Dependents of Soldiers

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The war department is paying out $75,000 a day to the dependent families of enlisted men of the regular army and National Guard, Maj. Gen. Sharpe, quartermaster general, told the house military committee yesterday. The $2,000,000 fund for this purpose already provided is virtually exhausted, he added, and emergency legislation will be asked to continue the payments through the present month.

If disbursements continue at the present rate a deficiency of nearly $5,000,000 will be shown by the end of the fiscal year.

Gen. Sharpe said the law limited payments to the mothers, wives and children of soldiers and that in many pathetic cases where aid had been asked for fathers or sisters the application could not be considered.

THE LOCAL MACHINISTS HELD MEETING

A largely attended meeting of local machinists was held last evening in Machinists' hall, Central street, the meeting being the first in a series to be held in this city during the winter months under the auspices of Local 138 in an endeavor to unionize all local machinists. The meeting was presided over by Parker Murphy and the speakers were as follows: Thomas J. Savage of Washington, a member of the international executive board; E. C. Davidson of Washington, an international organizer; S. A. Benway of Newark, N. J., another international organizer and Commissioner-elect Francis A. Warnock.

Woolen Spinners

At a meeting of the members of the Woolen Spinners' union held last evening at 32 Middle street the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President, Victor Kenney; vice president, Peter McKeon; recording secretary, Fred Baltye; financial secretary, George Allen; trustee, Cyrus Ordway; auditors, Henry [illegible], William Storey and Fred Baltye.

Stationary Firemen

Twelve new members were initiated at a regular meeting of the Stationary Firemen held last evening and several applications for membership were received. Donations were voted for the Nashua, N. H., members on strike and the striking Springfield corset workers.

RESIGNS AS DEAN OF B. C. GRADUATE SCHOOL

RETIREMENT OF DR. WILLIAM E. HUNTINGTON FROM ACTIVE EDUCATIONAL WORK

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—The retirement of Dr. William E. Huntington from active educational work was announced today. The trustees of Boston university yesterday accepted his resignation as dean of the graduate school. Dr. Huntington has been connected with the university for [illegible] years and served as its president for two years.

Prof. Arthur W. Weysse, head of the biology department of the College of Liberal Arts of the university, was chosen as his successor.

Other changes were the election of George I. Baker and George H. Maxwell, both of Boston, as trustees, and the appointment of Walter S. Athearn as professor in the School of Theology.

DIVIDEND DECLARED

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The Northern Securities Co. today declared a dividend of 3 1-2 per cent. The last dividend was 2 per cent.

REV. DR. GALLAGHER DEAD

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 15.—The Rev. Dr. Charles W. Gallagher, president of the Maryland College for Women at Lutherville, died last night after a brief illness. He was born in Boston in 1846.

CLASSIFIED ADS.

Received Too Late for Classification

PORTER wanted at Liggett's Riker-Jaynes, 121 Merrimack st.

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Shirts	50c to $6.50	Bath Robes	$5.00 to $15.00
Stockings	15c to $2.00	House Coats	$4.00 to $8.00
Suspenders	25c to $1.00	Silk Scarfs	50c to $4.00
Sweaters	$2.00 to $8.50	Woolen Scarfs	50c to $1.50
Vests	$2.00 to $6.00	Fur Caps	
Gloves	50c to $6.00	Fancy Sets of Suspenders, Garters, Belts, Armlets, etc.	
Play Suits			

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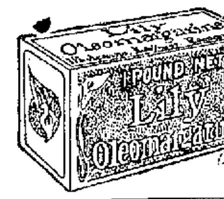
Trial Size........10c
1-2 Lb. Package, 25c

MAZOLA........ qt. can 37c; pt. can 24c
VAN CAMP'S TOMATO SOUP, can ....3 cans for 20c
CAMPBELL'S PORK AND BEANS, can........11c
POMPEIAN OLIVE OIL, pt. can........20c
VAN CAMP'S EVAPORATED MILK, tall can........9c



SWIFT'S LILY **Oleo** For This Sale, Pound........ **23c**

Cheese Rich, Tasty, lb. **19c**

BUTTER—Fancy Table Quality, Lb... **36c**
Topsham and Meadow Brook Creamery Butter at Cost

Alaska Pink **Salmon** Tall Can **9c**

Sweet Tender **Corn** 1916 Pack, Can **10c**

5 Lbs. SUGAR in sealed carton........35c
When sold with
1 Lb. FLETCHER'S, The New Quality, COFFEE........35c
Both for........70c

Hermit Brand **Peas** 3 Cans for 20c

Karo Corn **Syrup** Can **8c**

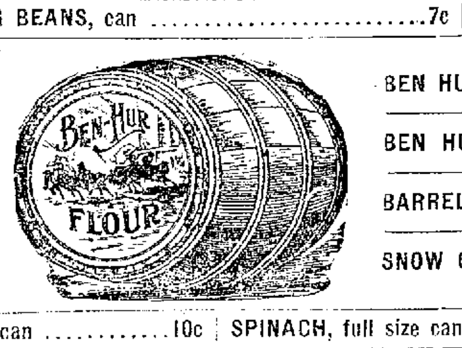
Cuban-Guava Jelly, can........25c
SUGAR WAFERS, lb. **23c**

EGGS Fancy Selected, Doz. Box **35c**

Asparagus Tips, can........15c
EGG BISCUITS, lb... **20c**

OLD SCOTT STRING BEANS, can........7c | SARDINES IN GOOD OIL, can........3c

Pears In Syrup BIG CAN...... **9c**



BEN HUR, 24½ lb. paper bag........$1.15
BEN HUR, 98 lb. cotton sack........$4.50
BARREL IN WOOD........$9.25
SNOW CRUST PASTRY, 24½ lb. bag........$1.15

SAUER KRAUT Big Can 12c

CONDENSED MILK, can ....10c | SPINACH, full size can........12c | KIDNEY BEANS, can........7c

PORK	VEAL	BEEF	STEAK	POULTRY	LAMB
Smoked Shoulder, 15½c	Large Legs Veal, 12c	Prime Rib........14c	Rump Steak....26c	Turkeys, fy. nor...35c	Gen. Legs Lamb...18c
Fresh Shoulds. 12½c, 16c	Veal Steak 18c	Rp. Butts, lb., 14½c	Sirloin 23c	Small Turkeys...23c	Yearling ...12½c, 15c
Roast Pork........14c (by strip)	Veal Chops 15c	Bstn. Sir. Rolls..15c	Top Round 25c	Native Chickens..27c	Lamb Chops 23c
Pork Steak........14c	Veal to Stew....11c	Chuck Roast 12c	Bottom Round.....16c	Native Fowl 24c	Yearg. Chops..12½c
Pork Butts........16c	Veal Kidneys 10c	Beef to Boil 10c	Round Steak......18c	Roast'g Chicks...20c	Lamb to Stew......9c
Leaf Lard........10c	Fores of Veal..10½c	Beef to Stew....10c	Porterhouse 25c	Small Fowl 18c	Frs. Gen. Lamb, 14½c
Native Pork ......14c (From small pigs)					
Fresh Feet........6c					
Fresh Hams 18c					

Bacon
Dan. Easter Brand......24c
Westphalia 24c
Nelson 20c
Genn Bacon........16c
CRANBERRIES, qt.....5c

MUSHROOMS, lb........ **40c** | SPANISH ONIONS, lb..... **5c**

CANDIES, ETC.
Bon Bons, lb. 12c
Chocolates, lb. 12c
Gum Drops, lb. 12c
Chocolates, box 22c
Croquettes, lb. 20c
Sugar Wafers, lb. .. 25c
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Wool velours, zibeline, corduroy, mixtures and velveteen, with fur, plush or velvet trimmings. Colors: Green, brown, navy.

NEWS AND NOTES FROM THE BUNTING CLUB

The Buntings are making arrangements for a pool and billiard tournament, whist, pitch, cribbage and forty-five's tournament, with the C.M.A.C.'s of this city.

New Years' eve, a vocal and instrumental concert will be given at the clubhouse for members only. William D. Regan, Esq., has been invited to address the members.

Great improvements have been made at the clubhouse for the comfort and convenience of the members. The whole building is now properly heated and ventilated for the winter months.

The banquet was a great success in every way. The speeches were interesting and enjoyed by everybody present, and Caterer Harvey's reputation as a chef did not suffer any.

Representative Victor Francis Jewett made good as an after-dinner speaker, and his services will be in great demand, judging by the favorable comments heard on all sides after the banquet.

Members of the Bunting club feel that a banquet like the last one should be held at least once a year, and twice if possible. Nothings brings the members together but a social session of this kind and they take more interest in the doings of the club and work together better.

Commencing the first Saturday night in January, a series of whist parties for members and their friends will be held in the clubhouse. The management will present the winners splendid prizes donated for that purpose.

President Humphriss is making a record for himself by calling all meetings on scheduled time and getting through business before the hours of midnight.

Vice President Samuel Nichol was down to respond to the toast "The Ladies" but, owing to the late hour, begged to be excused from making any extended remarks. The toastmaster at the next banquet will call upon Mr. Nichol earlier in the evening so he can make good.

Secretary George Emsley will attend the board of managers' meeting of the New England Amateur Athletic union at the Revere house in Boston next Monday evening.

The Bunting club will be well represented at the Allied bazaar in Mechanics building, Boston, an Saturday afternoon. They will leave on a special train engaged to take the big crowd to Boston for that purpose.

James Garnett has been elected to fill a vacancy on the board of directors and is now the chairman of the pool and billiards committee. The annual tournament for the championship of the club will start next week. The committee promises to give the novices good marks and the scratch men will have to go some to beat them.

INCOME TAX BOOKLET

A pamphlet, "Requirements of the Massachusetts Income Tax Law," has been issued by the tax commissioner to give information on the working of the new law to those who may be interested. Some hundreds of copies have been secured by the Lowell Trust company, which will be glad to distribute them while they last to any persons who may wish to have them.

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SAYS PEOPLE DO NOT GET MONEY'S WORTH

PROF. ADAMS OF YALE TALKS ON MONEY EXPENDED FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—People do not get their money's worth out of the three billion dollars annually expended for public purposes, declared Prof. Thomas Sewall Adams of Yale university, before the Association of Life Insurance Presidents, today, in advocating the creation of standard units of governmental performance by which to measure the quality and quantity of the output in each department of public work.

"Public expenditures seem to thrive on opposition," said Prof. Adams, "in the very face of the unceasing opposition of the taxpayer.

"For the year 1913 the federal census supplies a combined expense account for the national, state and local governments (excluding incorporated places having less than 2500 inhabitants) which gives up a general idea of the purposes for which our money is spent. The total costs amounted to just about three billion dollars, of which the largest item was for protection to person and property—in other words, military preparedness and police.

"Next to their remorseless increase, the most general characteristic of public expenditures is the waste which they involve. In most city and state governments there are some departments which overlap, while others are engaged in work which is no longer necessary. Government employes as a rule work neither so long nor so earnestly as those in private employment. Supplies and equipment are not purchased to advantage, nor properly charged and checked when distributed; specifications for bids are loosely or carelessly drawn in many cases; labor-saving devices are slowly and sometimes reluctantly introduced; there is great waste in public printing. Above all there is not the same incentive or reward for economy in public as in private enterprise.

"The fundamental trouble is that the public has no means of accurately ascertaining whether a particular activity of government is productive or unproductive, efficient or inefficient. We must somehow devise standard units of governmental performance, by which to measure the quality and quantity of the output in each department of public work. In many departments of government we could directly measure the output with as much accuracy as most factories measure departmental productivity.

"And almost always we have the deadly parallel, the comparison with the activities and costs of similar departments in other places. In short, the solution of our problem lies in the permanent maintenance of practical efficiency commissions. Their first function should be to uphold the hands of the public servant who is doing his work well. There should be both public and private efficiency commissions. We have tried them tentatively in the past. They have been guilty of some 'bonehead' plays. But that merely means that they are just learning the game. We must rise above our mistakes, put more heart, more 'pep,' more time, more money in this unavoidable undertaking, which in the end will pay big dividends."

BULGARIAN KING SENDS PROCLAMATION TO ARMY

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 15, via London.—King Ferdinand of Bulgaria, according to a telegram received here from Sofia, has addressed this proclamation to the army:

"For 15 months you have been fighting to achieve the unity of the Bulgarian people. Thanks to your devotion to your king and your unexampled valor, all the enemies who had stood in the way of our national unity have been conquered and all Bulgarian lands are under protection of the victorious Bulgarian armies."

The proclamation then says that the Bulgarians will continue the struggle pending receipt of the answer of the entente allies to the peace proposals of the central power group.

MEETING OF SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTE REGENTS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Seventy years of activities of the Smithsonian Institution were marked today by the annual meeting of the board of regents headed by Chief Justice White.

Since James Smithson, an Englishman in 1826 willed his fortune of a half million dollars for the foundation of an institution for the diffusing of knowlege among men, the trust fund has grown to more than a million.

The board of regents consists of Chief Justice Edward D. White, chancellor; Vice President Thomas R. Marshal; Senators Henry Cabot Lodge of Massachuesetts, William J. Stone of Missouri, and Henry Hollis of New Hampshire; Representatives Scott Ferris of Oklohoma, Ernest W. Roberts of Massachusetts, and James T. Lloyd of Missouri; Messrs. Andrew D. White of New York, Alexander Graham Bell of Washington, D. C., George Gray of Delaware, Charles F. Choate, Jr., of Massachusetts, John B. Henderson, Jr., of Washington, D. C., and Charles W. Fairbanks of Indiana.

Today, after seventy years, the operations of the Institution are continued along these same lines as its founder intended although other features have been incorporated. It is international in its scope, and governmental in its affiliations, now administering several government-supported bureaus, including the United States national museum with its national gallery of art; the bureau of American ethnology; the astrophysical observatory, the national zoological park; the international exchange service, the official medium for exchange of publications with foreign governments, and a bureau which prepares and publishes an annual classified index of all the scientific publications of the world.

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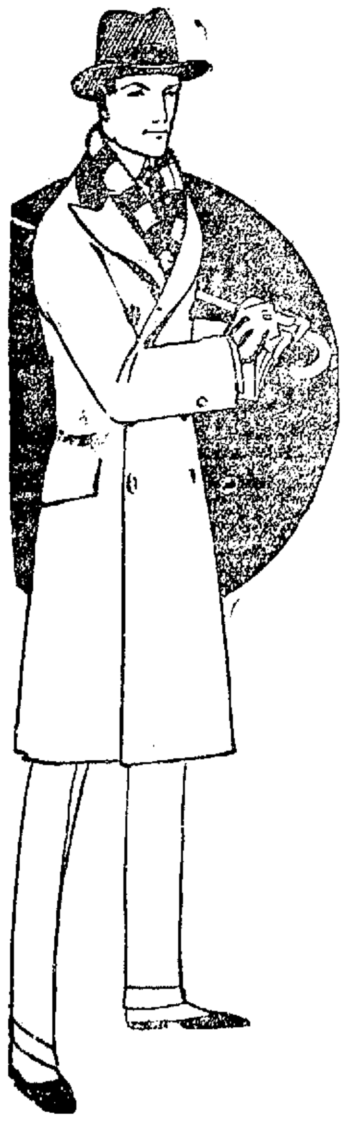

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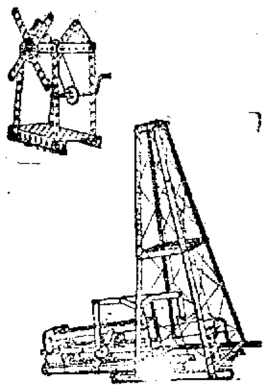

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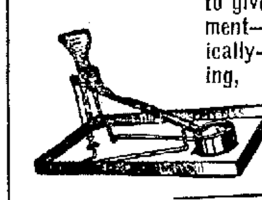

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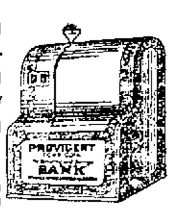

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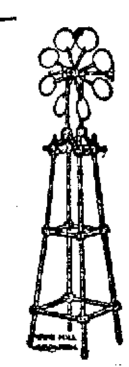

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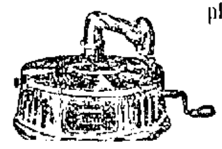

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JOSEPH T. MILES, THE SONG WRITER, DEAD

WAS AUTHOR OF "THERE'LL BE A HOT TIME IN THE OLD TOWN TONIGHT"

SANTA ROSA, Cal., Dec. 15.—Joseph T. Miles, author of the song "There'll Be a Hot Time in the Old Town Tonight," died here last night. Miles, who was a veteran actor, was known on the stage as Joe Hayden. He was 70 years old.

AMUSEMENT NOTES

LOWELL OPERA HOUSE

Today and tomorrow are the last chances offered the theatre patrons of Lowell and the surrounding towns to see "In Old Kentucky," that brilliant melodrama, which, all the week has been playing to the biggest crowds in the history of the Emerson Players. Though there is a big demand for seats, there are still some good ones left, but to avoid disappointment patrons should make reservations early. Seats can be secured by phoning 261, the box office being open from 9 a. m. to 10 p. m.

"In Old Kentucky" is a play that will live forever because of its wonderful story. The play is woven around Frank Layson and Madge Brierly and Leon Lindsay and Joe Lorey and while intensely dramatic there are many brilliant comedy situations which make the play one of the most appealing and interesting ever known. The play is very punchy and from the start to the finish there is not a single dull moment.

Sunday afternoon and night at the Opera House a gala program of vaudeville and picture features will be offered the management having secured five splendid acts and as many reels of the best photoplays. One of the headliners secured is Anderson and Jason, an exceptionally clever team of singers and talkers and recognized as one of the best acts in the vaudeville field. Murphy and Croston offer a delightful singing and chatter act that is sure to make a tremendous hit with the vaudeville lovers of this city. Ford and Richards is another good comedy offering. There will be two other big acts. Seats are now selling and as many hundreds are turned away each Sunday evening, as many as possible should arrange to attend the matinee performance.

Next week the Emerson Players will present "Everyman's Castle," William Anthony Maguire's great drama of today which will be offered for the first time in Lowell, coming direct from a year's run to crowded houses at the Cort theatre in Chicago and for two seasons en tour to capacity houses.

"Everyman's Castle" is a powerful play of the present day, dealing with the subject of birth control. While the play may be regarded among the risque, there is nothing that will offend anyone and because of the nature of the play, children under 16 years of age will not be admitted.

The play is positively limited to one week so secure seats early. Phone for them now.

B. F. KEITH'S THEATRE

No better staged musical act has ever been seen here than "A Study in Royal Blue," which Beatrice Morelle and her Operatic Sextet are offering on the hill at the B. F. Keith theatre this week. All of the participants in this are trained women vocalists or instrumentalists, and the program is made up exclusively of the higher type of musical numbers. But this act is not the whole bill. There are others of great attractiveness, including "They Auto Know Better," a satire on automobiling by Thomas Dugan and Babette Raymond, while Cole, Russell & Davis in "Waiters Wanted," put forth antics that are profific of much real laughter. The Helen Leach Walton Trio of iron jawed performers are probably not duplicated anywhere else in the world, and Berrick & Hart in nonsense, singing and dancing have made many friends. The Nylo Maids tap the xylophone and Stuart Darrow is an artist who makes pictures with sand, with smoke and with shadows. New Pathe News pictures are now being shown. Good seats for the remainder of the week may be obtained in advance at the box office. 'Phone 28.

MERRIMACK SQUARE THEATRE

Everyone should see the all-star bill of features at the Merrimack Square theatre. Gail Kane, Montagne Love, Arthur Ashley and Muriel Ostriche all appear in leading roles in the five-act drama, "The Man She Married," a unique story of a young heiress, who was tricked into a mock marriage by a suave adventurer, who was later brought to justice and she to the happiness that her loveliness of character deserved. Another star to appear today and tomorrow is the beautiful Lenore Ulric who will be seen in the principal character in the five-act feature, "The Road to Love," a play of the Orient, full of strong, vigorous action, with many beautiful scenes. The comedy is one of the funniest yet shown. The Burton Holmes travel pictures. An added feature of the matinee performance tomorrow will be "The Girl from 'Frisco," a western drama of the clean sort for the youngsters.

ROYAL THEATRE

An all star cast will support Pearl White in Pathe's great, military-mystery serial, "Pearl of the Army." "The Shielding Shadow" marked the coming of the all-star cast to the motion picture. Its success has been demonstrated and an even stronger cast has been gathered for the Pearl White picture which is expected to outdo all of her former vehicles.

Pearl White is recognized as the most popular serial star in the world. The cast supporting her in "Pearl of the Army" includes Ralph Kellard, who, because of his splendid work in "The Shielding Shadow" has become one of the screen's biggest matinee idols. Theodore Friskel, one of the most widely known actors in the country, Marie Wayne, a beautiful young adventuress in the film—and that sterling actor, W. T. Carleton.

Pearl White has been starred in "The Perils of Pauline," "The Exploits of Elaine" and "The Iron Claw." Each has been more successful than the other. Her role of Pearl Dare, daughter of Col. Dare, in "Pearl of the Army," is the best she has ever had. It gives her an opportunity to act as never before, and also to do the thrilling "stunts" that made her famous.

Throughout the serial there is a strange and mysterious character called The Silent Menace. In one episode we see Pearl White and the Silent Menace after a thrilling struggle toll from a cliff into the river below. Again we see her rescued by the daring pilot of a military aeroplane. We see "The Silent Menace" boldly invade one of the government buildings in Washington and steal a package containing important documents. We see Pearl White in a thrilling fight with "The Silent Menace" in the tower of the building hurled down the sloping roof and saving herself by clinging to the gale gutter.

"What I like about my part in 'Pearl of the Army,'" said Miss White, "is that it has a big idea behind it. The story is thrilling and interesting in itself but it has a big theme—preparedness and patriotism—which will appeal to every man, woman and child because of the message which it carries."

And besides this corking attraction, the final episode of "The Yellow Menace," which shows the doom of the fiendish Ah Singh, should pack the house to its utmost capacity. Ah Singh has caused a reign of terror to the movie folks in "The Yellow Menace" and he meets a fitting end. The 15th episode of "Liberty," with Marie Walcamp and Eddie Polo, also another of "Grant, Police Reporter," and other great attractions, will constitute a corking program for the last two days of this week at the ever-increasingly popular Royal theatre. Usual prices will prevail these two days.

JEWEL THEATRE

Episodes of two corking serials and a return engagement constitute the special attractions for today and tomorrow at the Jewel theatre. The return engagement alludes to the drollest farce comedy "The Pawnshop," which stars the prince of all comedians, Charles Chaplin, the inimitable, high-salaried gentlemen with the baseball mustache (nine hairs on each side of the nose), and the erratic gunboat fleet. Among the other good attractions are Ethel Grandin and Maurice Costello in "The Crimson Stain Mystery" which features by the way, a Miss Olonova whose vampirish role in the serial is attracting considerable attention. Marie Walcamp and Eddie Polo in the great preparedness serial "Liberty" are getting all the plaudits for their fine work, and the usual releases in single and multiple will please all.

OWL THEATRE

Heading the big week-end bill today and tomorrow, is the famous stage star, Marie Empress, who will be seen for the first time in months in the new World release, "Love's Cross Roads," a most pleasing story that holds you spellbound from start to finish. Since her entry into the motion picture world, Miss Empress has gained even greater glory than that which she enjoyed while on the stage and in this new photoplay she has every chance to display the wonderful dramatic power and ability which gained her such fame.

The story of this new release deals with a man who in order to save a woman, takes the blame of a murder upon his shoulders. He is tried and found guilty. How this woman who had come between him and his fiancee finally proves his innocence forms one of the most dramatic climaxes ever filmed.

Charlie Chaplin, the king of all gloom-dispellers, will also be with us today and tomorrow at the Owl. This week Charlie is to be seen in another of the new Mutual comedies and, as usual—but what is the use of talking about him. The fact that he is here is a drawing card, but being seen in a new Mutual will prove even more so.

Other high class offerings will also be presented at the Owl today and tomorrow.

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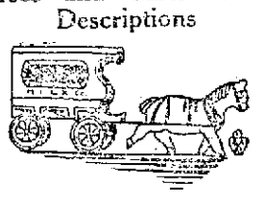

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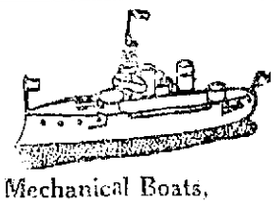

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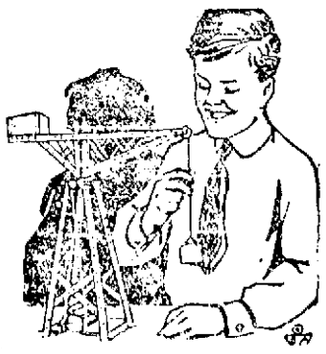

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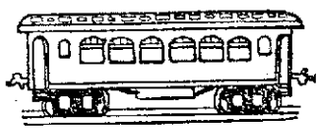

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FINE ENTERTAINMENT AT ROGERS HALL SCHOOL

Music and dramatics constituted the program at the December meeting of the members of the local branch of l'Alliance Francaise which was held last evening in the gymnasium of the Rogers Hall school in Rogers street. The attendance was large, the program was excellent and in fact the meeting proved to be one of the best ever held under the auspices of this prominent organization.

A feature of the evening's program was the presentation of a one-act comedy drama entitled "Le Sanglier," by members of the association, those taking part being Miss Suzanne McEvoy, Miss Sara Linthicum, Rene DeLys, W. P. Caisse, Jr. and Arthur L. Eno, Esq. The stage of the gymnasium is well adapted for a presentation of this sort and the scene depicted last evening was a drawing room in a country house in France.

The play was presented in a decidedly clever manner, all parts being well sustained. Miss Linthicum, a member of the faculty of the school, played the part of Suzanne de Boines in a graceful manner. Miss McEvoy, a recent graduate of Vassar, demonstrated her knowledge of French in the part of Berthe de Malbois. Messrs. Caisse, DeLys and Eno acted like real professionals.

Prior to and after the presentation of the playlet a delightful musical program was given by local talent. Miss Elodie Chapdelaine, a graduate of the New England Conservatory of Music gave McDowell's "Etude de Concert" in an artistic manner, while Miss Gertrude Frisbie sang delightfully "Si Mes Vers Avaient des Ailes" by R. Hann, "Phillis Plus Avare que Tendre," by Weckerlin and "Connais tu le Pays" by Thomas.

A feature of the musical program was the vocal selections by Miss Anna Martel, a talented local soprano, who made her debut a couple of months ago. The young woman sang "Nymphes et Sylvains" by H. Bemberg and "Will o' the Wisp" by C. Gilbert Spoon. Both numbers brought forth rounds of applause, which were well merited. Miss Martel is possessed of a very pleasing soprano voice and she is a very promising young singer. Another pleasing number was that given by Mrs. James J. Kerwin in the rendition of "Ame Obscure" by Buser and "Chanson Indone" by Rimsky Korsakow. The accompanists of the evening were Miss Chapdelaine and Sidney R. Flect.

At the close of the entertainment general dancing was enjoyed till a seasonable hour and during intermission refreshments were served. Present at the meeting was a large number of students of the school.

WHOLE RUSSO-RUMANIAN LINE IS IN DANGER

Possible serious consequences not only for the Rumanians but for the Russians are implied in today's announcement from Berlin of the capture of the Rumanian town of Buzeu.

Military writers have very largely assumed it to be the Russo-Rumanian intention to make a defensive stand along the line of the Buzeu river running in a general easterly direction not far from the southern border of Moldavia, Rumania's northern province. The town of Buzeu lies just to the south of this river near the centre of the line between the Moldavian frontier mountains and the Danube and at the junction of the railroads running from Ploechti to the Danube at Braila and Galata, northward through central Moldavia and northwestward to the western Moldavian frontier.

Entire Line in Danger

If the taking of Buzeu, as appears, breaks this important defensive line, the whole Russo-Rumanian line along the western Moldavian mountains seems in danger of being outflanked.

Stress has been laid by military commentators on the importance of this line to the Russians, as it has been pointed to as one necessary to be held if the Russian front in the southern Carpathians and even in Galicia was to be preserved. Moreover, it has been indicated the falling back of the Russian front northward in Moldavia beyond the mouth of the Danube at Galata would open Bessarabia to possible invasion by the Teutonic armies.

Big French Drive at Verdun

Berlin reports an active offensive by the French in the Verdun region. Attacks made in attempts to retake the positions lost by the French on Hill 304 west of the Meuse were repulsed, it is declared, as were assaults on German positions on Pepper ridge and near Fort Hardaumont, east of the river.

Petrograd's official statement admits a retirement of the Russo-Rumanian forces in the vicinity of Buzeu, but does not specifically concede the capture of the town by Austro-German troops, as announced by Berlin. In consequence of this retirement the Russo-Rumanian forces further southeast in Wallachia, along the Jalomitza have been forced to fall back.

Greece has decided to accept the entente ultimatum, according to a news agency despatch from Athens. The terms of this latest entente demand upon Greece have not been given out.

ALLIES TO HAND NEW CATEGORICAL DEMANDS TO ATHENS CABINET

PARIS, Dec. 15.—The allies are about to hand new categorical demands to the Athens cabinet, according to the Petit Parisien. The principal object of these demands is the putting a stop to the movement of troops ordered by King Constantine with a view to the sending of important forces into Thessaly.

Encounters are reported between royalist troops and a French detachment near Katerina, but no confirmation has been received.

STILL DANGER OF HOLLAND BEING DRAGGED INTO THE WAR

LONDON Dec. 15.—Premier Cort Van Der Linden, addressing the lower house of the Dutch parliament yesterday, said the Dutch government still believes there is danger of Holland being dragged into the war, according to a despatch to Reuter's from The Hague. The premier was speaking on the budget and said the country's munitions supply had considerably increased and was daily increasing and that, in view of the international situation, it was unavoidable that sufficient military forces be kept at the immediate disposal of the government.

NEW OFFENSIVE BY FRENCH IN THE VERDUN REGION

BERLIN, Dec. 15, by wireless to Sayville.—On the Verdun front yesterday the French made three attempts to recapture trenches taken recently by the Germans on Hill 304, the war office announced, as were assaults on German positions. East of the Meuse the French launched repeated attacks, advancing in waves. The assaults were repulsed.

RUSSIANS CONTINUING THEIR RETREAT IN RUMANIA

BERLIN, Dec. 15, by wireless to Sayville.—The Russians are continuing their retreat in Rumania, burning villages as they go, today's official announcement reports. The Rumanian town of Buzeu has been captured by the invaders. In the last two days 4005 more prisoners have been taken. Additional Bulgarian forces have crossed the Danube near Futesti, across the river from Tchernavoda.

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Dewey Archambault, son of Undertaker and Mrs. Amedee Archambault, received word today to the effect that he had successfully passed the state examination for embalmer in New Hampshire, which he took Nov. 28. The young man is a graduate of the Lowell high school, class of '15 and also of the New England Embalming school.

FINAL ESTIMATES OF CROPS PRODUCTION

CORN 2,583,241,000 BUSHELS, WHEAT 639,886,000 BUSHELS REPORTED TODAY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Final estimates of this year's production of the country's principal farm crops, announced by the department of agriculture today are:

Corn, 2,583,241,000 bushels compared with 2,732,457,000, the 1910-14 average.

Wheat, 639,886,000 bushels compared with 728,225,000, the five year average.

Oats 1,251,292,000 compared with 1,157,961,000, the 1910-14 average.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

JURY DISAGREED

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place of business because he was intoxicated and that he refused to go, but loitered in the corridor. An employe of the house, it was claimed, escorted Lake to the door and then left him. Outside it was testified by witnesses he leaned against a post front of the building and after awhile he fell, striking the back of his head on the ground.

The trial of the case was completed yesterday and given to the jury shortly after 12 o'clock. The jurors remained out all the afternoon and night and again all this forenoon, being out more than 24 hours and a half in all. It is reported that nine jurors were for the defendant and three for the plaintiff. William A. Wilson represented the plaintiff and Edward J. Tierney the defendant.

When court opened at 10 o'clock this forenoon Judge Keating sent for the jury and asked if further instructions were needed. Daniel J. O'Brien of this city, the foreman, said that the jury had voted to ask to have read and be furnished with typewritten copy of that part of the judge's charge referring to the exercise of due care.

That part of the charge was read by the stenographer. The court said that in order for the plaintiff to win a verdict the person whose death is caused must be in the exercise of due care. He must be actively looking out for his own safety. "If you find that he was intoxicated and incapable of taking care of himself, then, according to the statute, he was not in the exercise of due care for his personal safety. If you find that he was under the influence of liquor but was not intoxicated to the extent of not being able to take care of himself, that will be a circumstance for you to consider with other circumstances, said the court.

The court said that the statute interprets the meaning of the words "due care" different from what the words ordinarily mean. "If you find that Lake did not exercise due care then the plaintiff cannot recover. If you find that negligence of Taylor while engaged in the business of the defendant caused the accident and Lake was actively careful relative to his own safety, then you must return a verdict for the plaintiff."

The jury then returned to its room, about 10.30 o'clock, and with the judge's further instructions again tried to reach an agreement but without success. At 12.45 o'clock this afternoon the jury returned to the court room and Foreman O'Brien announced that all attempts to reach an agreement had failed.

Land Case Opens

The defence was opened in the superior court this morning in the land damage case brought by Mrs. Annie T. Young against the city of Lowell. The jury in this case is asked to assess the damages caused to the plaintiff by the seizure by the city of two lots of land and buildings on the Pawtucket boulevard. The land was used for the water works department of the city.

SOCIETY DAY

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evening. Every detail was completed for "Society Day." The displays of the various makes were complete, the entire sales forces were in attendance and each group had something new to offer. This evening the following musical program will be furnished by the full Sixth regiment band between 8 and 10 o'clock:

March, Invincible Eagle.....Sousa
Overture, Bohemian Girl.....Balfe
Waltz, Tosoro Mio
Fox Trot, Down Honolulu Way
Selections from the musical comedy "Katinka" ..... Friml
Popular Medleys ..... Snyder
Selections, The Sunny South....Lampe
Medley of Scotch songs.....Lampe
Galop, The Winner ..... Harris

There was a large attendance at the show last evening and several of the dealers who have exhibits were successful in making sales. No cars were taken from the hall unless there were others ready to replace them.

A peculiar experience occurred yesterday afternoon when the Abbott-Detroit Classic roadster arrived. Because of the auditorium being filled with cars, this late arrival had to be taken in by the front door, and when starting up the planks which had been placed on the steps, the slippery sidewalk caused the boards to give way, but the car continued on its way using the bare stairs as a road-bed. This car attracted considerable attention during the evening.

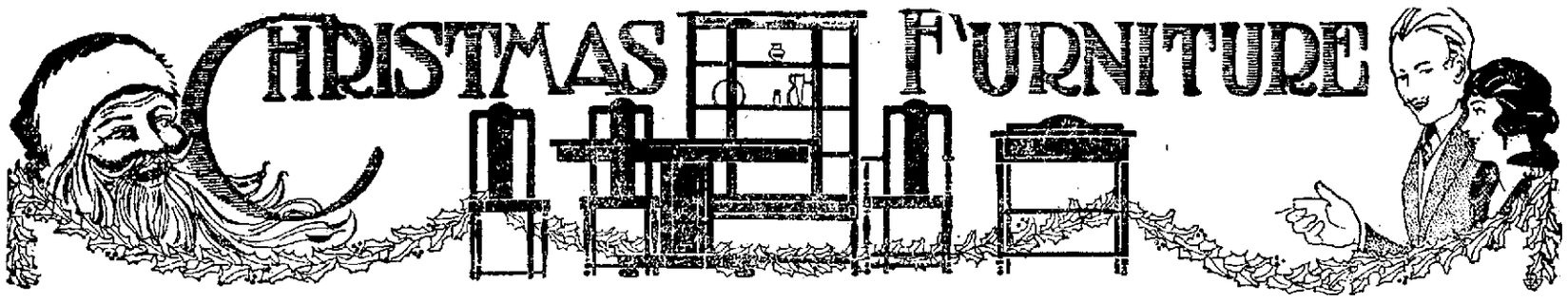
The Pitts Ford exhibit also drew considerable attention and comment. The salesmen were fortunate to sell several cars, three of them going to one concern, the Foster Grain Co.: a truck, touring car and a runabout. Sales of several Boston starters and other accessories were recorded. Tonight special attractions will be offered at this exhibit. One of these will be the appearance of the salesmen in their "white fronts."

The show will close tomorrow evening at 10 o'clock.

CHUMMY ROADSTER

The Inter-State 4-passenger Chummy Roadster is attracting more than its share of attention among visitors to the Auto show this week. In this Inter-State car the same characteristic earmarks of comfort and beauty are noted that have made Inter-State cars famous. The isleway between the front seats is wide, the body is liberally supplied with pockets and baggage room. The leather is brown Spanish. The body color is gun metal gray, making it dustless in appearance under all conditions.

One of the outstanding features of the Inter-State car is its powerful overhead valve, high speed, long, strong, extra efficiency motor. Mr. E. H. Bacon of Boston is in charge of the Inter-State exhibit.



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Dinner Sets .....$10.00 to $23.00
China Closets.....$22.00 to $50.00
Buffets .....$20.00 to $80.00
Sewing Baskets .....$3.50 to $8.00
Parlor Tables .....$3.00 to $21.00
Carpet Sweepers.....$2.50 to $10.00
Lamps .....$4.00 to $16.00
Tabourets .....49c to $6.50
Sewing Rockers .....$1.75 to $10.00
Telephone Tables and Stand, $4.75 to $10.00
Umbrella Stands .....75c to $3.50
Couch Covers.....$1.50 to $7.00
Bookcases .....$10.00 to $35.00
Gate Legged Tables....$14.50 to $17.25
Dressing Tables.....$12.50 to $40.00
Cedar Chests.....$7.50 to $15.00
Parlor Cabinets.....$20.00 to $30.00

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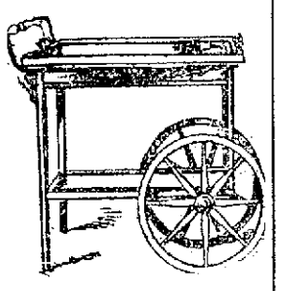

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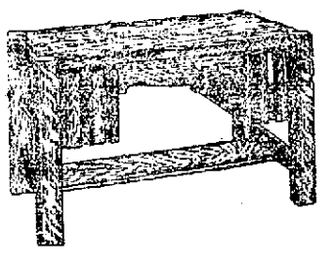

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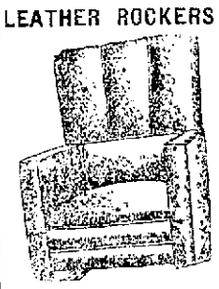

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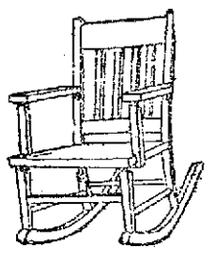

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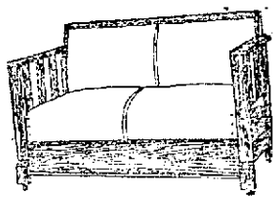

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SAYS AMERICA SHOULD LEAD IN MOVEMENT FOR PEACE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—America is confronted today with the responsibility and duty of leading the movement for universal peace and to insure that such wars as that of the present shall no longer disturb the world, Gov. Arthur Capper of Kansas today told the conference of governors here.

"Upon the American people," said Gov. Capper, "rests the responsibility and duty of leadership in the movement for permanent peace among civilized nations. It is no quixotic enterprise to which we are called. We are not meddlers in the affairs of others when we say that war must cease. The interdependence of nations, the bonds of commerce and finance, entirely aside from the dictates of common humanity, make it impossible for this plague of war to exist anywhere upon the Globe without seriously affecting both our international relations and our domestic affairs.

"The close of the world war strikes the hour for the organization among civilized nations of an actual federation with the purpose of maintaining a world peace. And America is the one nation which can propose such a federation and effect its organization. The task is hopeless without us."

Through such agencies as the proposed league of nations to enforce peace or the world's court league, which proposed submission of all justifiable questions at issue between nations to an international tribunal, Gov. Capper declared the object might be obtained.

FUNERAL NOTICES

COREY—The funeral of Bridget Corey will take place Saturday morning at 8.15 o'clock from her home, 186 Concord street. Funeral mass will be sung in the Immaculate Conception church at 9 o'clock. Undertaker J. F. Rogers is in charge of the funeral arrangements.

COREY—The funeral of Mrs. Patrick Corey will take place Saturday morning from her home, 186 Concord st., at 8 o'clock. A high mass of requiem will be sung at the Immaculate Conception church at 9 o'clock.

DALY—The funeral of Miss Madeline Daly will take place on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 17. Time will be announced later. Burial will be in St. Patrick's cemetery, under charge of Undertakers M. H. McDonough Sons.

FITZPATRICK—The funeral of Mrs. Susan M. Fitzpatrick will take place from the home of her daughter, Mrs. Arthur Smith, 1221 Middlesex street, Monday morning at 9 o'clock. A solemn high mass of requiem will be sung at 10 o'clock in St. Patrick's church. Burial will be in St. Patrick's cemetery. Undertakers J. F. O'Donnell & Sons are in charge of the funeral arrangements.

GUYETTE—The funeral of Franklin Guyette will take place from his home, 253 Aiken avenue, Saturday morning at 9 o'clock. A solemn high mass of requiem will be sung in St. Michael's church at 10 o'clock. Burial will be in St. Patrick's cemetery. Undertakers J. F. O'Donnell & Sons are in charge of the funeral arrangements.

GALLAGHER—The funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth J. Gallagher will take place Saturday morning at 8 o'clock from the home of her sister, Miss Katherine F. Slattery, 445 High st. High mass of requiem will be celebrated at St. Peter's church at 9 o'clock. Burial will take place in St. Patrick's cemetery. Funeral arrangements in charge of Undertakers Higgins Bros.

HARDING—Died Dec. 15, in Dracut, Mrs. Abby Harding at the Westcott home. Funeral services will be held at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Edith M. Dougherty, 64 Nichols st., Sunday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock. Friends are invited without further notice. As the burial will be in Waltham, friends are requested to kindly omit flowers. The funeral arrangements are in charge of Undertaker George W. Healey.

KELIHER—The funeral of Edward A. Keliher will take place Saturday morning at 8.30 o'clock from his home, 17 Crane's Ave. Funeral high mass will be celebrated at St. Patrick's church at 9.45 o'clock. Burial will be in St. Patrick's cemetery. Funeral in charge of C. H. Molloy's Sons.

MORRIS—The funeral of John Morris will take place on Monday morning from his late home, 35 Whipple st. High mass of requiem will be sung at St. Peter's church, time to be announced later. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery, under charge of Undertakers M. H. McDonough Sons.

MORIARTY—The funeral of Helen A. Moriarty will take place Saturday morning at 8 o'clock from the chapel of J. F. O'Donnell & Sons. A mass of requiem will be sung at St. Patrick's church at 9 o'clock. Burial will be in St. Patrick's cemetery. Funeral arrangements are in charge of J. F. O'Donnell & Sons.

DEATHS

FITZPATRICK—Mrs. Susan M. Fitzpatrick, widow of Bernard Fitzpatrick, died yesterday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Arthur Smith, 1221 Middlesex street, aged 72 years. Until recently she was a resident of Centralville. She leaves four daughters, Mrs. Sarah Lochran, Mrs. Richard Lyons, Mrs. Arthur Smith and Helen T. Fitzpatrick; two sons, Thomas W. and Francis M. Fitzpatrick, both of Lynn, and 18 grandchildren and one great grandchild.

BROWN—George L. Brown, an old resident of Lowell, died Tuesday night at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. E. Shaw, Braintree, Mass., aged 69 years. Mr. Brown lived in Lowell over 50 years and was a well known horseman and dealer in vehicles. Up to last week, when he was taken ill, he lived with his daughter, Mrs. Charles P. Wright, 18 Bernice avenue. He leaves two brothers, Frank Brown of Haverhill and William Brown of Chelsea, and two daughters, Mrs. Charles P. Wright and Mrs. J. E. Shaw.

COREY—Mrs. Bridget Corey, wife of Patrick Corey, died yesterday at her home, 186 Concord street, aged 42 years. She had been sick for a long time and she bore her illness with Christian fortitude. She was a member of the Holy Rosary sodality and was beloved by all with whom she came in contact. Besides her husband, she leaves to mourn her loss four daughters, Margaret, Susan, Sadie and Rose; two sons, James and Joseph; three brothers, William, James and Edward Johnson, in Ireland, and two sisters, Mrs. Margaret Teague and Miss Susan Johnson, also in Ireland.

DALY—Miss Madeline Daly, aged 16 years, 5 months, died early Friday morning at her late home, 217 Dutton street. She was a popular young resident and a devout attendant of St. Patrick's church. She leaves her father, Thomas F. and two sisters, Annabell and Marietta Daly. Funeral notice later.

MORRIS—John Morris, aged 65 years, a well known resident of this city, passed away this morning at his home, 35 Whipple street. He leaves to mourn his loss four daughters, the Misses Mary, Annie and Ida Morris, and Mrs. Catherine Durkin. Friends are requested not to send flowers. He was a member of St. Peter's Holy Name society.

HARDING—Died Dec. 15, in Dracut, Mrs. Abby Harding, aged 77 years, 1 month and 28 days, at the Westcott home. She is survived by her husband, Samuel J. Harding of Camden, Me., three daughters, Mrs. Charles Dyer of Schenectady, N. Y., Mrs. Edgar Parker of Waltham, and Mrs. Edith M. Dougherty of this city, nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

FUNERALS

CUNNINGHAM—The funeral of Henrietta L. Cunningham, daughter of Irvin and Elizabeth Cunningham, was held yesterday afternoon from the home of her parents, 21 Marshall st. Rev. Appleton Grannis, rector of St. Anne's church officiated. Among the floral offerings were the following: Pillow inscribed "Our Darling," the parents; star, Uncle John H. Eacrett; spray, Miss A. Thompson. Burial was in Westlawn cemetery. Undertaker George M. Eastman was in charge of the funeral arrangements.

BURROWS—The funeral of Edward Burrows took place this morning at 9.30 o'clock from the rooms of Undertaker J. F. Rogers. A mass of requiem was celebrated at St. Peter's church at 9.45 by Rev. D. J. Heffernan. Friends were present from Cambridge, Arlington and Boston. The bearers were Henry Barrington, John Holland, John Dolan, Edward Barrington, Thomas Mullin and Edward Mullin. Interment took place in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery. The prayers were read by Rev. D. J. Heffernan. The funeral was in charge of Undertaker J. F. Rogers.

BELL—The funeral of Bridget J. Bell took place this morning at 8.30 o'clock from her late home, 14 Wamesit street and wended its way to St. Peter's church where at 9 o'clock a high mass of requiem was celebrated by Rev. W. George Mullin. There was a profusion of beautiful floral offerings among them were: Large pillow with the inscription "We Shall Meet Again Some Sweet Day Bye and Bye," from the husband; cross on base inscribed "Good-Bye Ma," from the son, William Bell of Albany, N. Y., heart on base inscribed "With You to the Last," Mr. and Mrs. John H. Bell, Jr., and pieces from Son George and Mr. and Mrs. John J. Lynch, Mr. and Mrs. James J. Bell, Mrs. B. J. E. Mullin of Albany, N.Y., Mr. and Mrs. John J. Hayden, Electricians and Painters of U. S. Cartridge Co., Mr. E. Mullin, Albany, N. Y., Mr. and Mrs. F. Steward, Mr. and Mrs. William Bowman, Frank J. McCullough, Miss Helen M. Fenton, James McCullough, William A. McCullough, Miss Mary McCullough, Mr. Harold Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Blackstock, and several others. The bearers were Messrs. Frank J. McCullough, William A. McCullough, James McCullough, Joseph Ahearn, William Cote and Pearl Caton. Among the many mourners from out of town were friends and relatives from Albany, N. Y., New Britain, Conn., and Boston. After leaving the church the funeral cortege proceeded to the North station where the remains were forwarded on the 11 o'clock train for New Britain, Conn., where the burial will take place in the new Catholic cemetery, New Britain, Conn. The funeral was largely atended and under the direction of Undertakers Higgins Bros.

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Ladies' Italian Silk Suits—Hand embroidered, in pink and white, $3.50 and $4.00

STOCKS TUMBLE AT PEACE TALK

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The stock market experienced another session of violent liquidation today, credited to continued apprehension over the effect of possible peace on the earnings of munitions, steel and kindred concerns which have profited by the war.

Losses in the stocks of these companies ranged from 3 to 12 points compared with yesterday's lowest quotations with 32½ for Bethlehem Steel. It was the third severe downward movement since the announcement of the German peace proposals of Dec. 12.

The selling came from all quarters, the out-of-town element being a considerable factor. Bearish aggressions again contributed to the enormous offerings which taxed the machinery of the exchange to such an extent that bonds remained unquoted during the forenoon.

In the opinion of some observers the peace developments served as a pretext rather than the real reason for part of the heavy selling of the last four days. It was pointed out that the market had become topheavy as a result of a large and unwieldy bull account which made it easily vulnerable to any untoward events.

Another important factor was the attitude of local banking interests which had expressed disapproval of further market excesses, this being shown in the sharp scrutiny of speculative stocks in loans.

U. S. Steel was again the outstanding feature, almost 400,000 shares changing hands before noon at an extreme loss of 4½ points. Greater weakness was shown by Industrial Alcohol, Marines, Atlantic, Gulf & West Indies, Central Leather, Lackawanna Steel, Utah Copper and International Paper. Sales to noon totaled 1,300,000 shares.

Rallies of 1 to 3 points were made in the early afternoon, but the market continued extremely sensitive.

PEACE PROPOSALS

Continued

for peace among the nations now at war, I am sure that the people of the United States would wish their government to move along these lines:

"First, such a settlement with regard to their own immediate interests as the belligerents may agree upon. We have nothing material of any kind to ask for ourselves, and are quite aware that we are in no sense or degree parties to the present quarrel. Our interest is only in peace and its future guarantees.

"Second, a universal association of the nations to maintain the inviolate security of the highways of the seas for the common and unhindered use of all the nations of the world, and to prevent any war begun either contrary to treaty covenants or without warning and full submission of the causes to the opinion of the world a virtual guarantee of territorial integrity and political independence."

In the same speech the president said the American people believed fundamentally that every people have a right to choose the sovereignty under which they shall live, and that the small states of the world have a right to enjoy the same respect for their sovereignty and for their territorial integrity that great and powerful nations expect and insist upon.

Secretary Lansing early today held his first personal conference with President Wilson since the peace proposals of the central powers were made public. It was said the formal notes from Germany and Austria might go forward before night and necessarily in view of the probability that the president would take no independent action until after Lloyd George has spoken in the house of commons they probably will be accompanied only by formal notes of transmittal.

After the conference with President Wilson, Secretary Lansing said the position of the American government had not been finally determined and that the note from Turkey had not been received. There were indications that while the president was still waiting for an expression of the attitude of the entente allies before taking any formal step he had made up his mind sufficiently on his general policy to discuss it with the cabinet.

DEMAND PEACE TERMS

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 15, via London.—The Budapest newspaper Pestijirlap says that the new Hungarian independent party led by Count Michael Karolyi will demand that an announcement be made of the peace terms of the central powers, and that an interpellation to that effect will be introduced in the Hungarian parliament.

POPE BENEDICT TO ACT

LONDON, Dec. 15.—A Zurich despatch to the Tageblatt of Berlin as forwarded from Copenhagen by the Exchange Telegraph Co. says that in response to the peace note of the central powers to the Vatican the pope in a few days will issue a Christmas proclamation to all the belligerents.

ENGLAND TO CONSIDER OFFER

LONDON, Dec. 15.—Commenting upon the brief statement made yesterday in the house of commons by Andrew Bonar Law, chancellor of the exchequer, regarding Germany's peace offer the Manchester Guardian says:

"Two things appear to emerge from this brief and dignified statement—first, that the government will not refuse to consider on their merits any proposals that may be made to them; second, they will not allow the general character of the terms on which alone they will consent to conclude peace to remain for a moment in doubt. That is as it should be."

The newspaper deplores the attitude of the irresponsible part of the press in flouting proposals which are not yet made.

"Let us be as resolute as the case demands in the terms upon which we deem it necessary to insist, but let it never be said that we refused in mere insolence or levity to listen to the very name of peace."

TRANSLATION OF NOTE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—An unofficial translation of Germany's note to the entente nations proposing peace negotiations, made here from a copy of the official French text obtained from a diplomatic source shows that viously published version had many of the document's sentences out of their proper order.

The translation follows:

"The most terrible war which history has known has been ravaging a large part of the world for two years and a half. This calamity, which the bonds of thousands of years of a common civilization have not been able to prevent, is injuring humanity in its most precious heritages. It threatens to plunge into its ruins the moral and material progress which was the pride of Europe at the dawn of the twentieth century.

"In this struggle Germany and her allies—Austria Hungary, Bulgaria and Turkey have given proof of their unconquerable strength by achieving important successes over adversaries superior in numbers and in war material. Their unshaken lines resist the continuous attacks of the armies of their adversaries. The last diversion in the Balkans has been speedily and victoriously thwarted. Recent events have demonstrated that the prolongation of the war would not be able to break their power of resistance. On the other hand, the general situation justifies them in hoping for further successes.

"It was to defend their existence and the freedom of their national developments that the four allied powers were forced to take up arms. The achievements of their armies have not altered this purpose. Not for a single instant have they departed from the conviction that respect for the right of other nations is in no way incompatible with legitimate interests. They do not seek to shatter or annihilate their adversaries.

"Conscious of their military and economic power and ready, if necessary, to continue to the very end the struggle which has been forced upon them but inspired at the same time with the desire to stop the flow of blood and to put an end to the horrors of war, the four allied powers propose to enter forthwith into negotiations for peace. They are convinced that the proposals which they will submit and which aim to insure the existence, the honor and the development of their peoples will be appropriate to serve as a basis for the re-establishment of a permanent peace.

"If, despite this offer of peace and reconciliation, the struggle should go on the four allied powers are determined to continue it to the end, disclaiming solemnly before humanity and history responsibility therefor."

TERMS OF ALLIES

LONDON, Dec. 15.—In the Globe today there is a long editorial article in regard to reports from neutral capitals of anxiety on the part of the German people for peace and threats of some German newspapers that unless the peace proposal of the central powers is accepted there will be more ruthless prosecution of the war. Commenting on these reports, the Globe says:

"All in good time the terms of the allies will be set forth, but the statement will not be hastened an hour, either by protestations of love for peace or by threats."

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EXAMINATION FOR PLUMBERS TOMORROW

The examination for plumbers will be held tomorrow at city hall at 9 a. m. The state examiners have notified 45 applicants to appear.

Messrs. Hubbell and Leary examined 26 applicants for chauffeurs' license at city hall this morning.

Skating Pond

The park department is setting out the snow equipment in anticipation of severe weather. Supt. Kernan has made an examination of the trees on the North common and at the present time a gang of men is cutting off diseased limbs and doctoring up the trees generally.

The same will be done on the South common later.

Supt. Kernan is making plans for a skating pond on the South common in the space where ball games are played in summer. All that is needed is an earthen embankment a foot high and he is negotiating for materials. If present plans are carried out, this congested district will have a new skating pond for the winter.

The annual report of the park department is now being made up and it will be published early in the new year. The department is also making up an estimate of the appropriation for next year. Owing to new improvements and important matters now pending, the park board will ask for a larger appropriation this year than for some years past.

Building Permits

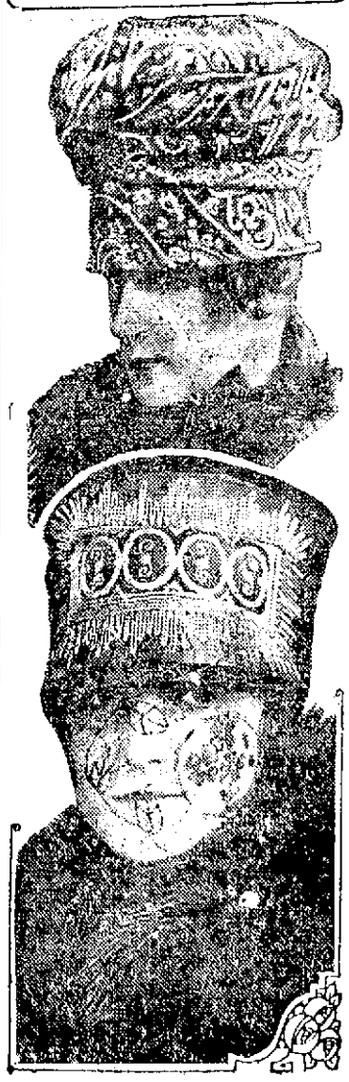
Among the permits issued at the office of the lands and buildings departments during the past few days are:

Alfred T. Cotes, one family dwelling at 17 Nichols street, $1500.

Lowell Realty Co., one-family dwelling, 19 Hillside street, $2500.

Lucy Staples, addition to shed at 9 Quimby avenue, $200.

Today's Fashion Hint



One turban foregoes all trimming, save an oriental swathing in Paisley silk. The other tall crown of dark green velvet is richly embroidered across the front with gold braid applied as altar cloths are adorned.

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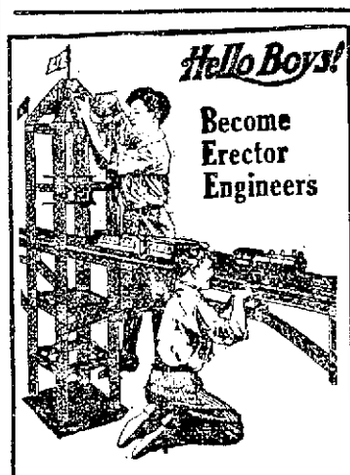

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Silver plated celluloid handle knives; stainless steel knives is the latest development.

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Beautiful sets; no advance in price.

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Just the present for a man. We have them in every style. The famous Gillette is the best safety razor; Gem, Ever-Ready, Auto-Strop and others.

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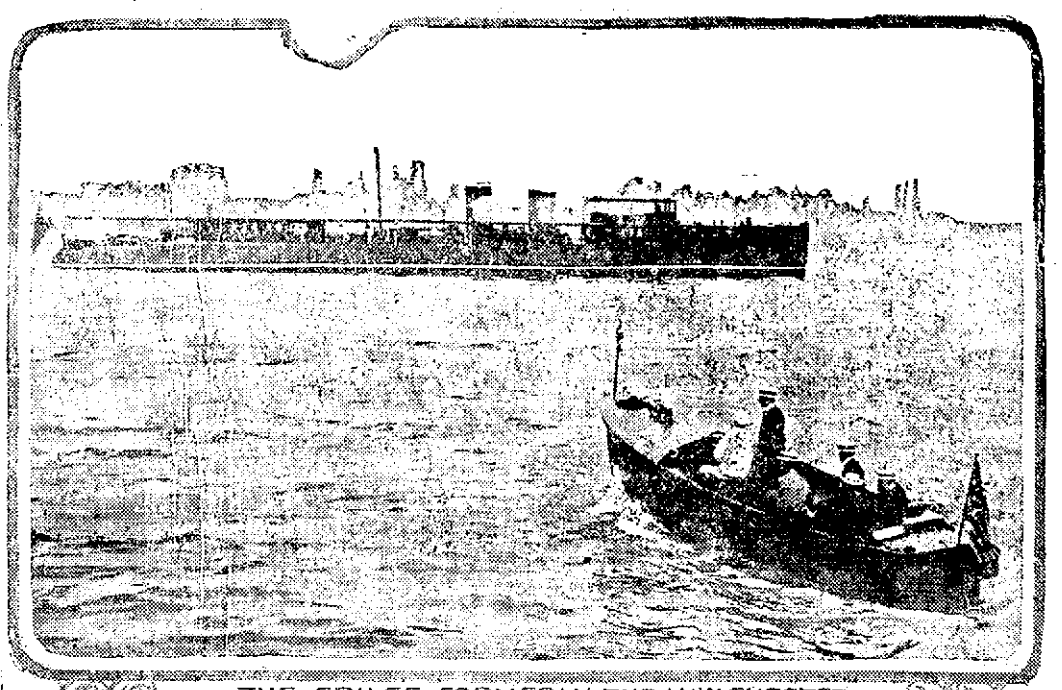

THE GRILSE, FORMERLY THE WINCHESTER

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 15.—A telephone message to the Morning Chronicle from Shelburne, N. S., says that the missing Canadian torpedo boat Grilse is limping into the harbor at that place.

Announcement that the Grilse probably had been lost at sea with her crew of 50 men was made yesterday by the Canadian minister of the naval service. The torpedo boat is commanded by Lieutenant Walter Wingate and was formerly the yacht Winchester.

All the officers of the Grilse and all but six members of the crew are reported to be safe. The missing members of the ship's company perished in the storm.

The Grilse, an oil burner, formerly the yacht Winchester, was built in Glasgow in 1912. She was 205 feet long, with a beam of twenty-one feet, and had a speed of 32 knots an hour.

When the Winchester, one of the finest and probably the speediest yacht in New York waters, was sold by Peter W. Rouss of New York early in the war there was some trouble in getting a clearance on account of the neutrality laws, and she was anchored off Tompkinsville, N. Y., for several weeks. One night she got away in the fog and was purchased by J. K. L. Ross of the Canadian pension board, who presented the yacht to the Dominion naval service.

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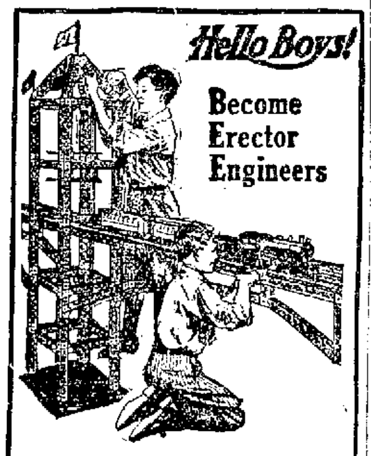

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BOYLE - HANSEN BOUT CALLED A DRAW

A large number of Lowell fans journeyed to Lawrence last night and saw Larry Hansen of New York and Phinney Boyle, the local pride, battle 12 furious rounds to a draw at the Unity Cycle club.

The milling was fast all the way, with both men fighting at topspeed in every round. In the fourth Boyle ran into a right hook and took the count of nine, he arose showing no signs of weariness when he resumed the conflict. Phinney sent Hansen to his knees in the seventh with a straight right.

Hansen was out for revenge last night for the verdict Boyle gained over him last winter, and he tried every punch in his kit in an attempt to knock Boyle out. The bout in Boston Tuesday must have taken some of Phinney's speed for he did not box up to his usual high standard.

Joe Carroll of Lawrence was knocked out in the sixth round of the semi-final by Young Chakos of Manchester. It was a pretty even thing until Carroll received a left swing to the jaw and a couple of hard body punches, and then it was all off with Joseph.

Tommy Doyle of this city has been matched to meet Tommy Gary of Manchester in an 8-round semi-windup next week. Doyle is under the management of Tommy Tully, who formerly handled Young Kenny and a man well versed in the light game. Tully will keep his protege going this winter and will match him with any 128 boxer in New England. Tommy Hobson, who stopped George Rivet, will feature the show with Jimmy Michem of New Yorw as opponent.

BUSY MEETING OF THE AMERICAN LEAGUE

OWNERS STARTED HOME AFTER COMPLETING CONSIDERABLE BUSINESS AT CHICAGO

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—American league club owners started home today, after completing the business of the annual meeting at a session which lasted until midnight last night.

Among the subjects disposed of at the meeting was the reduction in the price of seats to world's series games. A rule was passed providing that seats for the series in the American league park should be double the price for the same seats during the regular baseball season. The new scale for the world's series ranges from 50c for bleacher seats to $1.50 for the grandstand. An exception was made in the case of box seats, where a price of $5 was fixed.

The appeal of the committee from the minor leagues that the draft be dropped in the case of the three A leagues was referred to President B. B. Johnson of the American league for settlement. The committee, composed of Presidents Barrow of the International league, Hickey of the American association and Baum of the Pacific Coast league, after placing their requests before the magnates, returned to New York to renew their plea to the National league on the same subject.

A new form of players' contract containing the 10-day and the disability clauses was adopted and the new owners of the Cleveland and the Boston clubs were formally received into the league.

NATIONAL LEAGUE MEETING

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Despite the fact that the National league magnates already have been in session here three days they have not yet considered the proposed changes in the rules governing the world's series, the new player contracts and other matters of similar importance. To rid their program of the vast amount of detail morning and afternoon sessions were held today. Much interest was shown in the suggestions offered by Percy D. Haughton, president of the Boston club, that the rules be changed so as to help battling and strip the pitchers of some of their power. Mr. Haughton expressed the opinion that the baseball public likes plenty of hitting and lots of scoring. pitcher's supremacy nowadays is due to ing to the ordinary baseball fan, he argued. He claimed that much of the pitcher's supremacy nowadays is deu to artificial means. The moist ball, the resin ball and the emery ball were all criticised. Although many of the club owners thought the wet ball ought to be abolished, it was decided not to prohibit it without two years' notice to the pitchers. The emery ball is now under the ban and the use of resin may be barred by next season.

The most radical change suggested to improve the batting was to limit the number of foul strikes to one. This would rob the pitcher of a chance to have the second strike called on a foul ball. Another suggestion was to give a player his base on balls on three instead of four balls. These changes were deemed certain to force the pitchers to put the ball over the plate where the batsmen would have a chance to hit it.

All suggestions will be referred to the rules committee which will meet the rules committee of the American league in February.

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Black Fox, Pointed Fox, Mole Skin, Natural Opossum, Bulgarian Cat, Ravelynx and Coney.

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Lamb, Gray Hare, White Thibet and Ermine.

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A PRACTICAL CHRISTMAS GIFT

Crisp new voiles, soft crepe-de-chines and Georgette crepes.

Silk Petticoats ..2.95 to 4.95

A serviceable gift which will delight any woman. All shades.

Camisoles 98c

White and flesh crepe de chine, daintily trimmed with ribbons and lace.

Coats ....9.75 to 32.50

All styles, all sizes, all colors in all the up-to-date materials.

WAISTS INTENDED FOR HOLIDAY GIFTS WILL BE WRAPPED IN AN ATTRACTIVE HOLLY BOX AT YOUR REQUEST

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Diamond Rings, 22.50 to 80.00
Golden Sapphire Rings, 8.00
Pink Sapphire Rings, 10.00
Signet Rings, 4.00 to 7.00

WALDEMAR CHAINS ....1.75 to 5.00

Waltham and Hamilton Watches, plain or fancy cases, 15.00 to 37.50
Bracelet Watches .15.00
Bracelets 5.00
Pendants 3.50, 5.75

BATH ROBES ....4.95 to 7.95

A "Comfy" Christmas Gift and sure to please him.

UMBRELLAS ....1.00 to 3.75

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Men are wearing silk hose more than ever before, consequently many gifts will be selected from our hose department. Prices 50c to $1.50
Others ....25c, 50c and 65c

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Generally reflects his good taste and personality in dress. In selecting gift neckwear here you may be assured of pleasing him. Prices ....50c to $2.00

SILK SHIRTS

You should take advantage of our silk shirt display if you are thinking of giving him just what he wants. All the latest colorings.
Prices...................$2.00, $3.00, $5.00
Others.....................$1.00 to $6.00

And if it's not one of these he wants, why not select from the following: Gloves, Silk Pajamas, House Coats, Bath Robes with Slippers to Match, Sweaters, Skating Caps, Coats, Golf Supplies, Underwear, Automobile Toggery.

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NO RECORDS BROKEN ON ALLEYS LAST NIGHT

The Woodbines and the Wolves had a close match in Les Miserables league last night, the Wolves winning by four points. The Washakums toow two strings and a total from the Dodgers. E. Preston had the best total, 313, and Adsit made the highest single string, 131. One game was rolled in the Centralville Minor league on the Spindle City alleys, the Five of Hearts taking everything in sight from the Barry Shoe quintet. Games were rolled on the Crescent alleys in the night league of the U.S. Cartridge shop and the Bon Marche league.

The scores.

BARRY SHOE—Bellemare 276, Perreault 292, L'Heureux 259, Davis 259, Diette 276; totals 1362.

FIVE HEARTS—E. Desrosiers 306, Jack Manning 273, Deschenes 296, Paquette 289, Bouche; 284, totals 1448.

Les Miserables League

WOODBINES—Sullivan 276, Tully 262, A. Kenefick 282, C. Kenefick 261, Iodoin 275; totals 1356.

WOLVES—C. Comorton 255, C. Thomas 264, F. Ouimette 287, E. Curtin 279, E. Ouimette 275, totals 1360.

WASHAKUMS—Stowell 249, King 285, T. Doyle 270, E. Preston 313, A. Doyle 284; totals 1401.

DODGERS—Adsit 304, McManus 275, Cullen 278, Mullin 258, Montgomery 261, totals 1376.

U. S. Cartridge Co. (Night League)

EXTRUSION—Carathan, 290, Wrenn, 265, Donhue, 249; Dillion, 268, Kittredge, 260. Total 1332.

POLISHERS—Welch 289, Rourke 288; Lamb, 265; Semple, 277; Keouch, 277. Total, 1387.

Bon Marche League

AMERICAN EXPRESS CO.—Kenny, 251; McGilholm, 277, Lynch, 293, Condon, 258; Derny, 266. Total, 1343.

BON MARCHE No. 2—Bethel, 277; Gig, 252; Sanimer, 258, Sullivan, 217, Dubois, 309. Total, 1333.

THREE - MILE RUNNING RACE AT ROLLAWAY

Arrangements are complete for the big running race at the Rollaway rink tomorrow night, when Tony Droun of the Mathew Temperance Institute and James Crowe, of the O.M.I. Cadets will attempt to defeat Fred Couture of the Bellevue club in a three mile race.

Couture is one of the fastest men in the city, and has had a very successful season on the cinder path. He avers that he is just as fast on an indoor track, and after trying out the Rollaway course all week claims that he is ready for the race of his life. Crowe and Droun will team up, each relieving the other, and as both men are speedy performers, and well trained, the lovers of this form of sport are in for a treat.

All men are well acquainted with the track, as they put in considerable work there during the past few days. The organizations behind the runners are greatly interested in the result, and promise to be out in large numbers tomorrow night to cheer their favorite on to victory.

Manager Moore of the Rollaway is still conducting negotiations with Clone, the world's champion roller skater, and expects that he will soon be able to announce that he has enlisted the title holder's name to a contract to appear here. Mr Moore is out to get the best attractions available, and that his efforts are appreciated by the local sports is demonstrated by the large crowds that take in the various events there.

300 TRACTOR ENGINES BROUGHT TO ENGLAND

RUSSIAN MACHINES SCARCELY KNOWN IN EMPIRE BEFORE THE WAR

LONDON, Dec. 15.—A Petrograd despatch to the Central News agency says a representative of the ministry of agriculture addressing an agricultural congress announced that during the current year 300 tractor engines had been bought abroad for Russia. Before the war such machines were scarcely known in the empire. The speaker said in addition 90,000 rubles had been spent for harvesting machinery, the demand for which was continually growing. He also declared that huge deposits of phosphates had been discovered which would meet the deficiency hitherto supplied by importations.

MRS. AGGOTT ARRESTED

Mrs. Anna Aggott, 52 years of age and residing at 20 Gould street, Roxbury, was arrested yesterday by Sergeant Petrie of this city and Inspector Burke of Boston, on a complaint charging her with practicing medicine in this city without a license.

For some time the police have received complaints to the effect that a woman, said to be Mrs. Aggott, has been doctoring people in this city and charging them from $7 to $10 a visit. Supt. Welch assigned Sergt. Petrie to the case and the latter secured the testimony of some Polish residents of Davidson, East Merrimack and Central streets and Bent's court, who claimed to have employed the Aggott woman, and the latter's arrest followed. The woman will appear in the local court Monday.

WHIST AND CONCERT

A successful whist and concert was conducted in St. Columba's parish hall under the auspices of the Holy Name society last evening. The attendance was large and the program was most enjoyable. Concert numbers were given by Miss Mary McCarthy, Stephen A. Callahan, William Lynch, John and Thomas Brosnan, Miss Gertrude Kennedy, Fred Cummings and others.

At the close of the card game prizes were awarded as follows: Mrs. Patrick Brosnan, Mrs. Thomas Judge and Miss Stella Quill, while the men's awards went to Patrick Sexton, Michael McDermott and John Brosnan.

Rev. John A. Degan, of St. Mary's parish, Beverly, founder of the parish, was guest of honor. Also in attendance were Rev. P. J. Halley, pastor, and his assistant, Rev. Thomas Buckley. The committee in charge was: Dr. Frank McAvinnue, George Hobden, Fred Cummings, Michael Larkin and James Collins. Charles McQuillan presided.

HEAD OF INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE BIG NOISE IN BASEBALL CIRCLES

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Ed Barrows, president, secretary and treasurer of the International league, is now the big noise in baseball circles. The grown sons of baseball, which is to say the International league and the American association, are in open mutiny against the big baseball leagues. Unless their demands, their pleas, get favorable hearing they will quit. They will walk right out and leave the parent organizations—the National and American leagues—flat on their backs. To begin with, the minor leagues adjourned with a defi to the National commission in that they refused to accept the ruling which ordered them to pay $9,000 to Charles Ebbets. That in itself is outright revolution. But wait. They also have decreed that the big leagues must change the drafting rule and give them a chance to use players which they have developed. Moreover, the International league came right out in the open and told these things to the National league assembly. If their demands get no response they are quite ready to operate on their own hook and let the devil take the hindmost. In the meantime they have adjourned. The baseball world is now wondering what the outcome will be. Photo shows Ed. Barrows.

NO TURKEY SHORTAGE FOR CHRISTMAS

BETTER BIRDS FOR LESS MONEY THAN WAS PAID AT THANKSGIVING—EGGS DROP

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—Turkeys, better birds than were on the market during Thanksgiving week, will sell next week for from 35 to 40 cents a pound. This statement was made yesterday by marketmen after they received the first of their supply.

But for another 25 cent drop in the price of flour there was little change noted in market conditions yesterday, although today the housewife will find that the prices of all kinds of fish have advanced considerably over those of a week ago. This is because of a scarcity due to but two schooners arriving at the fish pier yesterday.

Yesterday eggs had dropped to 64 and 54 cents and Florida oranges were 29 and 40 cents a dozen. Salmon had risen from 30 to 35 cents a pound and finnan haddie from 15 to 18 cents. Lettuce was back to 10 cents, too, and had risen from seven pounds for a quarter to five cents straight.

Top of the round steak was 28 cents a pound and rump steak 38, lamb forequarters 17, legs 20, roasting pork 20, sliced bacon 25, fresh chickens 30, boneless sirloin 28, hamburg steak 15 and frankforts 17.

LOWELL SOCIALIST CLUB

A well attended meeting of the Lowell Socialist club was held last evening at the club's headquarters, 36 Central street. Considerable business was transacted. Resolutions were drawn on the death of Mrs. Irving Grey. The organization committee comprising delegates from the different branches made an interesting report.

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You'll find that it will pay you well to shop here during this great **PREPAREDNESS SALE** where you are sure to get just the useful gifts that please—and have something left for more gifts.

We invite you to visit our store today—tomorrow or any day before Christmas—see how well our store is loaded with good things at extremely low prices.

Friday Night Specials

As usual, we are offering our regular Friday Night three-hour Bargains from 6.30 to 9.30. Every item a big money saver and will make practical and useful Christmas Gifts.

Tonight from 6.30 to 9.30

Men's $20 Suits	$16.50
Men's $12.50 Suits	$10.00
Men's $25.00 Overcoats	$21.50
Men's $2.50 Pants	$2.00
Men's $2.00 Soft or Stiff Hats	$1.65
Men's $1.00 Caps	65c
Men's $3.50 Shaker Sweaters	$2.95
Men's $1.50 Laundered Cuff Shirts	$1.05
Men's $1.00 Soft Cuff Shirts	75c
Men's $1.00 Union Suits	79c
Men's 59c Underwear	45c
Men's $1.00 Pajamas	79c
Men's 15c Cotton and Wool Hose	10c
Boys' $13.50 Overcoats	$9.95
Boys' $8.00 Overcoats	$6.50
Boys' $7.00 Suits (two pants)	$5.25
Ladies' $6.95 Raincoats	$3.98
Ladies' $5.00 Raincoats	$2.98
Ladies' $5.00 Silk Waists	$3.98
Ladies' $5.95 Serge Skirts	$3.98
Ladies' Odd Silk Waists	$1.00
Ladies' $1.50 House Dresses	79c
Ladies' 75c Bungalow Aprons	49c

Men's Suits, values up to $25.00, marked	$20.00
Men's Suits, values up to $20.00, marked	$15.00
Men's Overcoats, values up to $25, marked	$20.00
Men's Overcoats, values up to $20, marked	$15.00
Men's Overcoats, values up to $18, convertible collars, marked	$10.00
Men's Shirts, values $1.59 and $2.00, marked	$1.20—3 for $3.50
Men's Shirts, values $1.25 and $1.00, marked	85c—3 for $2.50
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Ladies' Coats, values up to $25.00, marked	$20.00
Ladies' Coats, values up to $20.00, marked	$15.00
Ladies' Bath Robes, values up to $7.50, marked	$5.00
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SLEEPYTIME TALES

ERIC AND THE SQUIRREL

Once upon a time, Eric, the dog, belonging to the three E children, was looking out of the window when all at once he began to bark and ran to the door to be let out. As soon as the door was opened he rushed out and up to a bush that was near the yard fence.

From the window he had seen a little bushy tailed squirrel and he had decided that he wanted to play with it. He ran up to it and barked gladly and then would run away again and back and forth, as this was the only way he could show his friendship and that he didn't want to hurt the squirrel.

The squirrel didn't understand, however, so he ran quickly to a tall tree and climbed up in as fast as ever he could. Eric couldn't understand why the squirrel didn't want to play with him so he began to run at the tree and try to climb it just like the squirrel.

Of course he couldn't climb far but it frightened the squirrel even more and he climbed higher and higher until he was almost at the tiptop of the tree. Eric thought that must be what the squirrel wished him to do, so he redoubled his efforts to climb the tree.

When the children from the window saw Eric jumping up into the air and barking they thought something must be the matter with their pet and tried to call him into the house. Now Eric nearly always minded, but he was too busy just then and kept right on jumping and barking.

"Something must be the matter with Eric," said Edward. "I am going out to find out what it is," and all the children rushed out to fathom the mystery.

Edward got a rope and tied it about Eric's neck and led him to the barn where he tied him tightly and kept him there until the children's father came home to see what was the matter with the dog. "This is what I get for trying to have a little fun," said Eric to himself as he calmly lay down and went to sleep.

THE GOODGIVERS' CLUB

Once upon a time the girls had raised money for many Christmas presents for the poor children of the neighborhood, and you will remember I told you how they bought lots of useful things and took them around to the poor families and how delighted the needy ones were and how grateful for the thoughtful gifts.

The giving of these Christmas presents made the little girls feel so happy in doing good to others that one of them suggested that it would be a fine idea to form a club to help the poor all the year round instead of just at Christmas. The other girls all agreed and they formed the Goodgivers' club with a president, secretary and treasurer, just like a grown up society.

They decided that they would give all sorts of entertainments during the year and would spend all they earned to make some poor people, especially the children, happy as they could all of the time. Sick children they were to pay particular attention to, for many members of the club remembered when they had been sick, how lonesome and sad they felt with no company and nothing to cheer them up, and they knew it must be much worse among poor people.

They hadn't figured on doing anything for New Year's as the club was only formed a day or so after Christmas, but their parents heard about the Goodgivers club and decided to help start it off with some good deeds for the new year.

So, on Friday, which was New Year's Eve, each little girl belonging to the club, was given a basket by her mother which was filled with jellies, jams, cake and pies and which they were told to take to some poor families the club members to get together and make a list of the sick children but soon they remembered a lot of them and started out to give the baskets to the invalids.

It made them very happy to begin doing good so soon and you may be sure the children who were ill were very grateful to receive the dainties. The doctors in the neighborhood said they had no doubt that the gifts of the club on New Year's Eve brought such happiness to many of the homes that the children got better quickly on account of it.

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MASSACHUSETTS MEN ARE BEST SCHOLARS

WIN HALF OF THE 227 SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED TO HARVARD STUDENTS—CHINESE IN FRONT

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—Massachusetts men at Harvard won half of the 227 scholarships which were awarded to students yesterday for their excellent scholastic records. In the first group of the highest scholars there were 75 scholarships distributed, and 31 Bay state undergradutees won prizes. In the second group there were 152 scholarships, and Massachusetts men won 81 of them.

A third group of scholarships was also given out to men who have special claims, not necessarily based on high scholarships. In the three groups, a dozen Harvard students identified with athletics won honors.

Two Chinese students won the highest academic distinction in receiving first group scholarships. They are Yu Ching Wen of Hong Kong and Chung-tao Tahmy Chu of Chang Sha. Massachusetts leads the first group with its 31 awards, New York is second with 10, Pennsylvania third with eight, Ohio fourth with six, and 15 other states have one or two representatives.

The Harvard athletes to win highest honors in the first group are James H. Townsend of Newton, Francis H. Cabot of New York and Robert C. Rand of New York. Athletes in the second group are Edwin O. Baker, a varsity hockey player; George L. Batchelder, varsity football end; Charles A. Clark, varsity football guard; Charles A. Coolidge, Jr., varsity football end; Newton P. Darling, champion sculler of Harvard; and Cecil D. Murray, assistant manager of the football team.

CARILLON COUNCIL

The annual election of officers for Carillon council, U.S.J.B.de'A., took place last evening at a largely attended meeting of the organization, which was held in C.M.A.C. hall with President Charles E. Barry in the chair. In the course of the meeting it was also voted to hold a joint initiation with all the other local councils next month, the event to be held at the C.M.A.C. hall. The result of the election was as follows: President, Charles E. Barry; vice president, Leo Moubleau; secretary, Aime Picarde, assistant secretary, Hildege Genereux; treasurer, J. C. Morin; collector, Louis Asselin; auditors, Frederick Desrosiers and Albert Bergeron; master of ceremonies, J. L. Moreau, and marshal, Adelard Ayotte.

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SAYS PROSPERITY WILL CONTINUE AFTER WAR

JOHN N. WILLYS SAYS "WE ARE JUST GETTING STARTED"

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—"I am not of those who believe that our prosperity will end with the war's end," said John N. Willys of Toledo, O., president of the Willys-Overland company, at the second day's session of the tenth annual convention of the Association of Life Insurance Presidents.

"I think we are just getting started," said Mr. Willys. "We have long had natural resources. The war has awakened us to their more efficient development. Europe must be rebuilt after this war ends. We will have the trained men as never before. It will be our work. The profits will be ours. There is warrant only for optimism. But if we are to realize our commercial ultimate, there must be a minimum curbing of individual aggressiveness. The amazing advance of the motor car industry proves what American men can do if left a free hand.

"In 1906 there were in the United States only 120,000 automobiles. December 1, 1916, saw 3,352,000 cars, representing an approximated cash value of two billion dollars. Think of the growth from 120,000 to 3,352,000 cars in one decade! The founders of the industry had optimism. Optimism has reaped its rewards. Look at the changes the motor car has wrought in our daily life. It has bettered it in every factor, urban and rural, social and commercial.

"There is no greater error in our national life than failure justly to appraise the patriotism of the American merchant, manufacturer and financier. I genuinely believe that the hope of our country lies in the efficiency that we have developed in so-called 'Big Business,' and in the patriotic willingness of the men who control this efficiency to devote its full power to the safeguarding of the nation. Industrial efficiency in this country goes far beyond governmental efficiency. This can be said without any lack of patriotism. The very nature of our institutions, the working out of our democracy, precludes in government methods that permanency so essential to utmost efficiency.

"There are those who concede this superior commercial efficiency, but who condemn it as being applied to purely personal ends. They argue that the industrial chieftain has an eye only for the dollar, that he is blind to larger consideratons of abstract patriotism. Gentlemen, this is an injustice that cannot too ardently be refuted. Our history disproves it. The unselfish devotion of contemporary big men is further rebuttal. The big-visioned business man rises with his obligations. He has motives of highest patrotic impulse. He is eager to coordinate his activities with those of other great industrial concerns and with government experts to do what is best for the advancement of the country in time of peace and for its protection in time of war.

"I want to be specific. I want to deal with my own industry which offers an especially valuable demonstration of how private enterprises may become public benefactions. The makers of motor cars rank equally with producers of ammunition in their potential possibilites of military services to the country.

"Motor vehicles in the present war have twice saved France from extermination. When the peril was greatest, when the onrush of the Germans in September had brought them almost within sight of Paris, General Gallieni, then military governor of Paris, rushed troops in motor vehicles by the thousands to the aid of General Foch. They turned the tide and made possible the victory we know as the battle of the Marne. Motor trucks saved Verdun.

"Let Americans take hope in the immense motor car facilities we have here. Millions of cars, hundreds of thousands of trucks, are available. Men to drive them are plenty. The automobile plants could produce as many more cars as possibly could be needed.

"Legislation should be scientific. It becomes aggression the instant it attempts more than legitimate protection to the public.

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GERMANY TO ACCEPT PLAN OF DISARMAMENT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The German embassy last night authorized the statement that it was certain, should representatives of the belligerents meet to discuss peace terms, that one of the most important subjects for discussion would be that of limited universal disarmament. The German view is said to be that any peace would be worthless which did not make unnecessary armament on a scale approaching that which existed before the war.

A League For Peace

It was suggested that actual formation, as has been proposd, of some league of nations to enforce peace, necessarily would have the effect to bring about a limited disarmament. The German chancellor has said Germany would be glad to enter a league to prevent war.

The German view further is indicated as being generally opposed to international coalitions, as they have existed in the past, on the ground that such coalition is opposed to the maintenance of peace rather than conducive of it.

Today's press despatches from London, conveying the broad intimation that the entente allies might insist upon Belgium being indemnified as well as restored, aroused keen interest in Teutonic quarters, where it was indicated that if indemnities were to be given those localities where damage has been done by war, Germany would have claims for damage in East Prussia, Poland and other places.

Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, planned last night to visit the state department today or Saturday to ascertain if possible, the views of the United States, and at the same time furnish the state department with any information in his possession it might desire.

A copy of the official text of the German note to the entente allies, it was learned here today, has been forwarded through German agents in this country to all German representatives in the South and Central American countries, and China, with the request that they formally present it to the governments to which they are accredited.

Tonight, Elna Campers, Hiber. hall.

GIBLIN WANTS CASE OPENED

Says He Was Told Goodwin Slander Trial Would Not Take Place Till Afternoon and Was Absent

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—Representative Thomas J. Giblin of East Boston wrote to Judge O'Connell of the superior court yesterday asking him to reopen the case of Street Commissioner Frank A. Goodwin against him for slander.

A jury awarded Goodwin $1000 damages, the trial having proceeded on the default of Giblin. Goodwin alleged Giblin slandered him at two rallies in East Boston in 1915.

Representative Giblin in his letter to Judge O'Connell said he was at the calling of the list in the sixth session Wednesday morning and after answering his case was told by John W. Vaughn, counsel for the plaintiff, and also by the clerk of that session, that the trial would not take place before 2 o'clock.

He returned to the court house at that hour, he says, and learned that in his absence the case had gone to trial in the seventh session. Mr. Vaughn and Mr. Thatcher, clerk of the sixth session, it is said, deny they had any such talk with the representative from Noddle Island.

ROVING VOYAGE OF A WHISTLING BUOY

WASHINGTON, Dec.—The roving voyage of a whistling buoy has just been written into maritime records by the United States bureau of lighthouses and its courses charted by the hydrography office of the navy in the interest of science.

Nantucket shoals whistling buoy, stationed off the Massachusetts coast to mark the location of the Nantucket shoals lightship, began its wanderings on Jan. 20, 1913, and with its siren constantly sounding a doleful warning to mariners, continued its voyage for a year and seven months.

It was recovered Aug. 18, 1916, in good condition, approximately 275 miles northwest of Bermuda by the French cruiser Marseillaise, towed into Bermuda and since has been turned over to the United States government by the Bermudian authorities. The officers of the Marseillaise have been appropriately thanked by the United States and the buoy, which had been unsuccessfully sought by steamers of the lighthouse service and other government vessels after having been reported at various points in the North Atlantic, is again ready for service, after overhauling at New York.

Hydrographers estimate the buoy has traveled at least 3300 miles, calculating the distance in air lines from point to point where it was reported. Her actual mileage undoubtedly was much more than that.

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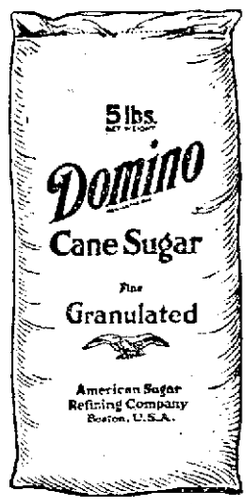

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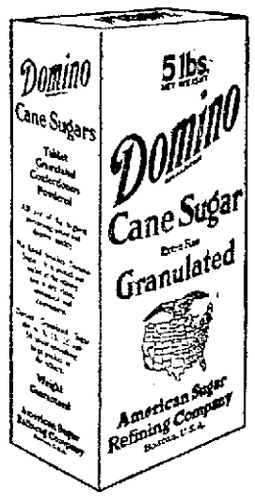

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WASHINGTON, Dec. — Gifts from many sources have brought more than 28,000 volumes to the library of congress during the year, and comprised more than one-fourth of the additions to its shelves. Retaining its place as the third greatest library in the world and the greatest in the western world, the library now contains 2,451,974 books, 154,200 maps and charts, 770,248 volumes and pieces of music and 392,905 prints.

For large additions to the Chinese, Japanese and Korean collections, the library acknowledges debt to Dr. Walter T. Swingle of the bureau of plant industry, who visited the far east in 1915 and purchased on behalf of the library a total of 5,892 volumes, including early Chinese books printed from blocks; Chinese historical and descriptive works covering the period of first contact with Europeans; early Chinese dictionaries and encyclopedias; Chinese works on natural history and pharmacopoeias; geographical works; the writings of Confucius and the works of famous scholars; and a good copy of the oldest Japanese printed work extant, probably dating from the beginning of the thirteenth century; and a large collection of the writings of Kaibara, the Benjamin Franklin of Japan.

The Lincoln documents which have been presented to the library are of exceptional interest. These consist of the original draft of Lincoln's second inaugural address, and his two drafts of the Gettysburg address presented by Clarence L. Hay, who had them from his father, the late John Hay, and a memorandum as to the improbability of his re-election, presented by Miss Helen Nicolay.

As a rule the American composer and the American music publisher are beginning to prefer the national to a local library as the permanent custodian of manuscript scores. The chief of the music division records not only gifts of autograph scores of American composers, but promises of gifts to come.

In the document division, an effort was made to complete the files of official publications of the Latin-American countries, and it was exceptionally fruitful through a visit to these countries by the law librarian, Dr. E. M. Borchard. The library's collection of Latin American documents may now be considered one of its important features.

A number of Yiddish books came to the library in the two Deinard collections. The Yiddish literature in the United States assumes a respectable place as compared to other literatures; and even if the predictions of some come true that the Yiddish tongue will be dead before long, the Yiddish literature will still offer a wide and interesting field for historians, philologists and students of comparative literature.

The portion of the library now classified under the new classification contains 1,548,500 volumes. Great progress has been made in eliminating remnants of the old classification. Practically all of the old chapters have now been reclassified, except such as contain works on religion and law.

Depository libraries containing complete sets of the library of congress catalogue cards now number 18, while 10 libraries of the United States government have partial depository sets.

The adoption of a uniform type for the use of the blind seems imminent to the assistant in charge of the reading room for the blind. It is anticipated that an agreement may be arrived at between the British and American co-workers which will result in the solution of this problem.

In the forty-five years during which the copyright work has been a part of the business of the library of congress, the number of entries totalled 2,932,297. During the last nineteen years, the net receipts of the office above expenses for service, were $210,658.10.

"COMMERCIAL SLAVERY"

BERLIN, Dec. (Correspondence of the Associated Press).—German commercial organizations are making a strenuous protest against a form of "commercial slavery," which they say is beginning to make itself known.

Most business firms, since the beginning of the war, have voluntarily paid to the relatives of employes called into the army, a portion of such employes' salaries or wages. Some of them particularly in the Rhineland are now making the employes enter into an agreement to work for their firms at least three years after the arrival of peace, on pain of having the voluntary payments to their relatives cease. Their salaries may or may not be raised during that time. They also are asked to sign a sort of note, which is in effect a promise to repay the aggregate of the payments made to relatives, at 5 per cent, if they leave the employ of the firm within three years.

Chambers of commerce that have taken the matter up, while agreed that the burdens upon many firms of paying salaries to employes' relatives are sometimes inordinately severe, are convinced that stringent steps must be taken against a practice as "unsocial" and "unpatriotic" as the plan adopted by the Rhineland firms.

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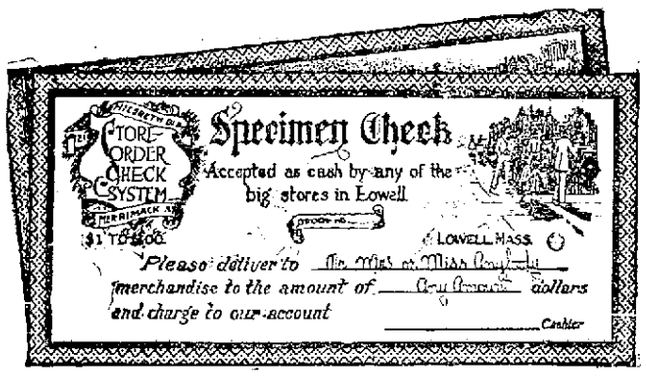

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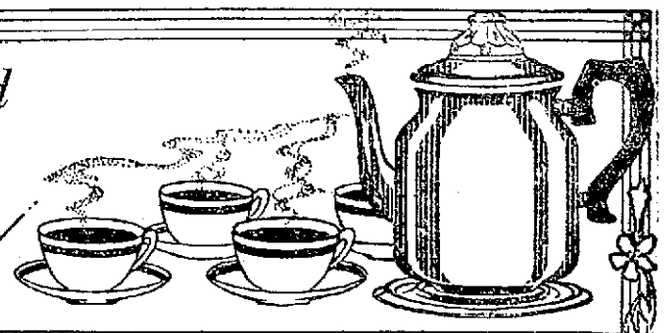

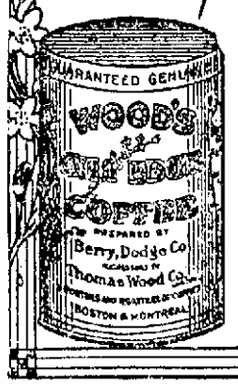

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CONG. GARDNER OPPOSED TO U.S. MEDIATION

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Congressman A. P. Gardner today introduced in the house a joint resolution to place congress on record as opposing mediation, by the United States, in the European war and declaring that the United States should refuse to promote any peace which does not include the return by Germany of conquered territory, payment of "ample indemnities" and Teutonic disarmament. The resolution reads:

"Whereas, the Central European Powers are suing for peace, and

"Whereas, a premature and inconclusive peace at the present time would fail to punish the Central European Powers for the unbounded misery which they have brought upon mankind, and

"Whereas, in the darkest hours of our Civil war, Abraham Lincoln, through the secretary of state, peremptorily ordered our minister to Great Britain, Charles Francis Adams, to repudiate the slightest suggestion of mediation in our affairs on the part of any foreign government.

"Resolved, that in the opinion of this Congress the United States should neither directly nor indirectly suggest to the Entente Allies that they accept mediation, and, furthermore, it is the opinion of this Congress that the United States ought to refuse to participate in promoting an unjust peace.

"Resolved further, that no peace can be considered just unless the following requirements are included in its terms:

"1. That every acre of land shall be returned by the Central European Powers to the Nations which have been despoiled.

"2. That ample indemnities shall be paid to the Entente Allies, who have been fighting for civilization, and more especially to the smaller Nations, which have suffered the most from a murderous and unprovoked assault.

"3. That by disarmament and disbandment of its troops Germany shall guarantee that the peace treaty is something more than 'a scrap of paper.'"

In presenting his resolution Congressman Gardner described the war as "a death struggle between autocracy and democracy."

"God help us if autocracy wins!" he exclaimed.

Should America now offer mediation, "in compliance with Germany's hopes," he added, Great Britain and France might feel profoundly wounded and "our friendly relations would be at an end for many a decade to come."

"Timid sentimentalists," he said, "want to give Germany a truce in which to catch her breath, for choking she surely is or she would not be suing for peace."

Just as the Civil war was fought out, he added, so this war in Europe must be fought out till one side or the other triumphs; if not today, it must be fought out tomorrow.

The resolution was referred to the foreign affairs committee without discussion.

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SCHOOL BOARD FAVORS GENERAL CONTRACT

At a special meeting of the school committee last evening at city hall the body decided to send a communication to the municipal council, disapproving of the council's action in restricting the bidding for the new high school to divided bids and local bidders. Reasons for the stand of the school committee will be given and if the council so desires a conference will be arranged. Present last evening were Dr. John H. Lambert, John C. Leggat, Esq., R. B. Walsh, Esq., Herford N. Elliott and Supt. Hugh J. Molloy.

The school committee bases its action on the following clause of section 55 of the new charter:

"No site for a school building shall be acquired by the city unless the approval of the site by the school committee is first obtained. No plans for the construction of or alterations in a school building shall be accepted, and no work shall be begun on the construction or alteration of a school building, unless the approval of the school committee therefor is first obtained. Nothing herein contained shall require such approval for the making of ordinary repairs."

The school committee is in favor of general contract bids as well as separated bids, and says this was the plan approved of in the joint meetings of the school committee, municipal council and advisory board. The school committee had that in mind when it gave its approval of the plans and contracts. It believes that, under the charter, the council must act its approval before proceeding with plans for the high school. The committee believes that the responsibility for the new building rests on the members and they are willing to assume it.

A conference was held with Architect Millard P. Davis and Principal H. D. Roby of the Bartlett school relative to plans for the addition to the school. Before meeting the committee paid a visit of inspection to all the evening schools with the exception of the high school.

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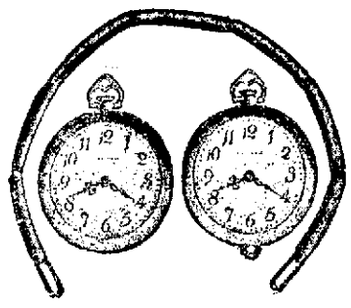

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MISS MARIE PEARY—WHEN SHE WAS THE "SNOW BABY" AND NOW

Miss Marie Ahnighito Peary, daughter of Admiral Peary, the discoverer of the North pole, is chairman of a committee of the Junior League of Washington, which is busily gathering toys and making a canvass of all of the hospital free wards where there are children, so as to report results to the head of the Washington playgrounds. This is the preliminary work in a plan that includes the distribution of toys given by the children who attend the play centers to the little invalids in the free wards. Miss Peary has the distinction of having been born in the arctic regions, to which her mother accompanied Admiral, then Lieutenant, Peary on an exploring trip. She has been called "the snow baby," and her middle name is of Esquimo origin.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

A regular meeting of the members of l'Union Garin Nationale Independante was held last evening in Club Citoyens-Americains hall and a feature of the evening was the annual election of officers, which resulted as follows: President, Etienne Raymond; vice-president, Louis Goudreau; recording secretary, Arthur Robillard; financial secretary, Arthur Robillard; financial secretary, Alfred Lebel; treasurer, Arthur Lavoie; wardens, Joseph Goyette, Joseph Rivard and Louis Gingrass, trustees, Francis Tremblay and A. Fiette; sentinels, Arthur Bertrand and Ernest Boisvert. Four applications for membership were acted upon and a grist of routine business was transacted. The installation ceremonies will be held on Thursday evening, Jan. 11.

RETAIL GROCERS AND PROVISION DEALERS

An interesting meeting of the members of The Lowell Retail Grocers and Provision Dealers' association was held last evening in Ellis hall with President J. H. Burke in the chair. Considerable business was transacted, including the election of officers for the ensuing year.

Several communications were read and it was announced that one of the oldest and most respected members, Philip Therrien had passed away and all present stood in silence in respect to the memory of the departed brother. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, John H. Burke; vice presidents, Edward S. Fitzgerald, Arthur Demarais and Frank N. Destalet; clerk, George F. Maguire, treasurer, Edward M. Bowers, trustees, E. S. Fitzgerald and William J. Furlong. The directors are the board of government elected.

At the close of the business session a social hour was held in the Elks parlors, during which a varied entertainment program was given. Refreshments were also served.

THE REGISTRATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—The Massachusetts highway commission is in receipt of a much less number of applications for the registration of motor vehicles than is usual at this date.

Many seem to expect that blanks will be sent to them. Only to the holders of the first 5000 pleasure vehicle numbers are blanks sent.

It may be well for motorists to remember that no vehicle is legally on the highway if operated after Dec. 31 without 1917 plates.

From the 23d of December to Jan. 2, there are but four and a half working days, and any applicant mailing later than Dec. 26 will stand an excellent chance of being without plates on New Year's day. It takes an average of five days from the date of mailing application to the receipt of plates.

Each year the commissioners meet many people who are under the impression that the law gives ten days' leeway after Jan. 1. Such is not the case. Motors must bear plates of the calendar year to be legally operated upon the highways.

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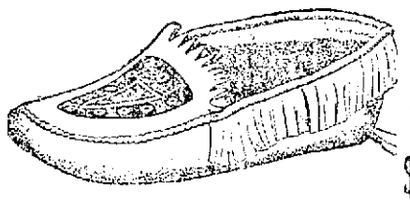

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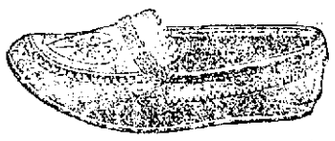

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ANNUAL TOLL OF 80,000 DEATHS FROM CANCER

PRES. HUNTER SAYS CANCER NEITHER HEREDITARY NOR CONTAGIOUS

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Two year's study of original insurance statistics indicate cancer is neither hereditary nor contagious, according to a paper presented to the Association of Life Insurance Presidents here today by President Arthur Hunter of the Actuarial Society of America.

After referring to the annual toll of 80,000 deaths from cancer in the United States, Mr. Hunter said:

"No sooner do we become interested in the wide prevalence of a disease like cancer, than we begin to wonder whether it is contagious or hereditary. Such questions must be in the minds of hundreds of thousands of relatives of persons who have died from this disease and of others who are suffering from it.

"There seems little to support the view that cancer is the result of contagion. Twenty thousand applications for insurance were reviewed and it was found that in 488 cases one only of the parents of the applicant was stated to have died from cancer and in four cases both parents were stated to have died of that disease. There were 122 times as many cases in which one parent had died of cancer as of those in which both parents had died of that disease. There could hardly be a stronger test than the case of husband and wife."

As to heredity, Mr. Hunter said: "My first investigation consisted of cases of persons insured in six companies, both parents having died of cancer prior to date of application for insurance. Of 472 grandparents of the insured, the cause of death was given in 234 cases of which two were from cancer; the cause of death was stated in 184 of these as 'old age,' the average at death of which was 82. In 72 of the grandparents the cause of death was not known, but the age was given, the average being 62; in 155 cases neither the age nor the cause of death was known. It is reasonable to conclude that if only two died of cancer out of 234 parents of persons who died of cancer, that disease is not hereditary.

"The possibility of heredity in cancer has generally been studied by experiments on animals. In the case of human beings there has been no previous attempt, so far as I am aware, to investigate the problem in families where there has evidently been a cancer strain, if such a thing exists. In the present investigation, one of the groups consisted of cases in which both of the parents had died from cancer, and in another of the groups, a parent, and a brother or a sister of the policyholder had died from that disease. It might be expected, therefore that if cancer were hereditary, it would be shown very clearly in the family records of these persons, but this has not appeared.

"Men and women who are in anxiety of mind on account of the appearance of cancer in their ancestry or immediate family, may dismiss such anxieties as there is no statistical evidence at the present time that the disease of cancer is transmitted by inheritance in mankind."

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MUSTEROLE WILL NOT BLISTER

RETURN OF MONEY FAILS TO SAVE POSTMASTERS

GOVERNMENT USES EMBEZZLERS AS EXAMPLES AND REQUESTS JAIL SENTENCES

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 15.—Although full restitution had been made, yet two Maine postmasters who pleaded guilty when arraigned in the United States district court yesterday on indictments for embezzlement were heavily sentenced, the court following the request of the government prosecutors that an example be made of the respondents.

The thefts were committed by the use of money orders. U. S. Dist. Atty. Merrill said this form of embezzlement seemed to have become the fashion in Maine, and there should be a warning. The cases yesterday make four of this nature within a few months.

Wilbur A. Thorne, former postmaster at Houghton, was sentenced to three months in jail and a fine of $500 for the theft of $1903.28. His method was to send postal orders issued to himself to banks in Portland, Auburn and Rumford for deposit.

George M. Allen, former postmaster at Highland lake, was fined $200 for the theft of $465.25, with which he had paid his personal bills by postal orders.

PLACE VESSELS UNDER THE ITALIAN FLAG

ROME, Dec. (Correspondence of the Associated Press).—In order to increase its mercantile marine, Italy has by governmental decree dropped its subsidy policy and made a bid to shipbuilders to place their vessels under the Italian flag by ordering the removal of practically all ship taxes for five years and exempting such ships from military requisition for a similar period. Already 12 new ships are building in Italy under the new law and, inasmuch as a vessel pays for itself within three or four trips under existing freight rates, it is anticipated that foreign firms will take advantage of these new conditions.

The immediate reason for the new law is that Italy has been suffering severely during the war because of high ocean freight rates on grain, coal and every other product imported.

However, Italy has been actively increasing her merchant marine for the past dozen years and she intends to continue that policy after the war. Before the war she was spending $8,000,000 a year on subsidies, five million of which went to vessels carrying the mails, one to cargo boats, and two to shipyards. She has lost through submarines during the war more than 100,000 tons of vessels, which has cut down her increased tonnage obtained by subsidies. Her total net tonnage Jan. 1, 1915, was 1,282,115 as compared to 1,632,614 tons in 1905. Her number of steamers at present is 949, repersenting a tonnage of 933,156.

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CALL OF THE GAME LURES FRED CLARKE

PITTSBURG, Dec. 15.—Fred Clarke to be president and principal owner of the Pittsburg club was a well defined rumor current in this city Wednesday, though in the absence of President Dreyfuss and other officials of the Pirates at the National league meeting in New York no confirmation of the report could be obtained.

Clarke has been anxious to get back into baseball ever since his retirement in 1915, while it is known that Dreyfuss has wished to get out for the past two seasons. Barney has simply held on for want of an available purchaser and, now that the opportunity has offered, will doubtless jump at it.

During his long connection with baseball in this city, covering a span of 16 years, Clarke amassed considerable of this world's goods, his real estate investments in Kansas proving particularly fortunate, and is now in a position to buy the club outright if he so chooses. But, if the former Pirates' field leader does not care to assume the entire responsibility, he can find plenty of backers right here in this city, a well known theatrical man who has been in baseball on more than one occasion standing ready to furnish the entire amount to buy the club, if necessary.

While manager of the Pirates, Clarke won four pennants and one world's championship and finished in the first division nearly every other season. His return to baseball would be received enthusiastically by the Pittsburg fans.

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DEEP BREATHING IMPORTANT

Are you tired of hearing about the benefits of deep breathing?

It is a subject as old as the hills, and one of the most important factors of beauty and health.

The woman who takes long walks, the woman who runs, the woman who plays tennis or golf, the woman who swims cannot but breathe deeply, for she will need to do so in order to keep up with all that she is doing.

Vocal exercise is good for the same reason. Therefore, to the round shouldered girl, whether this condition has always been there or whether it has come from bending over a desk or typewriter, I would say, take your cue from this fact and go in for any physical exercise that you really like.

Rest assured that if you continue in it for any length of time your round shoulders must necessarily disappear as you breathe more often and more deeply; and as this better aerated blood courses through all parts of your system, not only will the round shoulders be a thing of the past and you will find that in seeking to rid yourself of the round shoulder habit, you have gained immensely in all directions.

WOULD PUT RETIRED PRESIDENTS IN CONGRESS

BILL INTRODUCED IN HOUSE SOLVES PROBLEM—PROVIDES SALARY OF $25,000

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—A solution of the question: "What shall we do with our ex-presidents?" was offered in the house yesterday by Representative Moore of Pennsylvania, who introduced a bill proposing that retired presidents automatically shall become members of the house of representatives, at an annual salary of $25,000. The Moore bill stipulates that ex-presidents shall have a voice but no vote in the lower body, and the measure is so worded that former Presidents Roosevelt and Taft would qualify as house members.

"While all true Americans appreciate the wisdom of preserving the dignity of the office and would like to maintain the highest respect for those who have held it," said Mr. Moore, "no real remedy for the misfortunes of an ex-president has ever been applied. We blush to say it, but one or two of our great rulers have passed away in poverty. Our ex-presidents, by virtue of their reputation, are necessarily the victims of the highest possible cost of living. They cannot decently enter into competition with their fellow men in the ordinary business or professional sense. They would be of great service to the country in the house or the senate, and their appearance therein would give them a dignified status without compelling them to lower the standard of living which they must maintain."

SIMPLICITY TO MARK CHRISTMAS SEASON

"WISH YOU A SIMPLE CHRISTMAS" TO BE GREETING IN ENGLAND.

LONDON, December. (Correspondence of The Associated Press.)—"Wish you a simple Christmas" is to be the Christmas greeting in England this year. In other words, self-denial—but a self-denial free from dismalness—is to be the keynote of the country's coming Yuletide season. Festive extravagance, riotous indulgence and thoughtless debauchery are to give place to simplicity, joy, thankfulness and thoughts for the wounded, the sufferers, and the soldiers and sailors who are fighting for their country.

The advent of the food dictator and the realization by the British people that after two years of war there is urgent need for the husbanding of their food stores, is responsible for the simplicity of the coming festival of joy and thanksgiving. The two previous Christmases in the war were celebrated according to tradition—a time of feasting and festivity and present-giving, a period of general relaxation and of charity also. But conditions have altered, the stern realities of war have been brought even closer to the people, so that the necessity for greater self-denial is more apparent. Economy and retrenchment will be the watchword this Christmas.

Already President Runciman of the board of trade has told the hotel proprietors that they will have to eliminate gala dinners and the usual entertainments. Some of the leading hotels had already prepared elaborate dinners for Christmas and New Year's at from $5 to $10 a plate. Still others had applied for an extension of the closing hours until 2 or 3 o'clock in the morning just as they do in New York and other big cities of the United States.

But the liquor control board put its foot down on this. This body which regulates the hours at which drinking may be indulged in set its face sternly against all extensions of hours. It refused to even tilt the lid. This the restricted hours in effect almost since the beginning of the war, namely 12 o'clock to 2.30 in the afternoon and 6.30 to 9 in the evening, will remain undisturbed during the Christmastide.

To say that this refusal of the authorities to "listen to reason" as the hotel men and caterers put it, has been disappointing is putting it mildly, and the result was frequent meetings at which appeals were drawn up, but all to no avail. Mr. Runciman told the hotel men that unless they revised their menus he would do it for them and the liquor control board said something about taking away licenses and shutting up the places just as they sometimes threaten in American cities. The hotel men were told that it was not a question whether or not they would set a good example to others, but an actual matter of food shortage. Hotel and restaurant patrons must eat less and more cheaply. If they do not, others will go hungry.

Housewives have also planned simpler Christmas dinners. The prices of meats, turkeys, hams, the ingredients for plum puddings and mince pies, the raisins and nuts are sufficiently alarming, and the possibility that by buying and eating too profusely of these things they will imperil the food supply of others is beginning to be realized.

Among the signs of a simpler Christmas will be the abandonment of decorated displays in butchers', poulterers and provision shops.

With the approach of the holiday season the war savings committee renewed its campaign. Its mottos were: Hospitality without extravagance; humor without hate; the best Christmas present—a war savings certificate. Still another patriotic organization, in its campaign for economy in meat, bread, tea, alcohol, sugar, butter, etc., distributed this placard: "If you are extravagant this Christmas, you will waste food, put up prices, and help to prolong the war."

That the churches are in hearty sympathy with the idea of an economic Christmas is indicated by the newspaper campaigns that have been conducted among the bishops throughout the country. After expressing their approval and willingness to co-operate, they invariably make a special plea against allowing depression to creep into the observance of the Yuletide season.

But in depriving themselves of many of the good things of life at this season the British people have not forgotten to provide for the soldiers and sailors. Arrangements were made to provide every officer and man at the front with a plum-pudding on Christmas day. Besides hundreds of thousands of Christmas parcels containing a large variety of food were sent to the boys at the front in all the theatres of war.

MRS. CLAYTON'S LETTER

To Run-Down Nervous Women

Louisville, Ky. "I was a nervous wreck, and in a weak, run-down condition when a friend asked me to try Vinol. I did so, and as a result I have gained in health and strength. I think Vinol is the best medicine in the world for a nervous, weak, run-down system and for elderly people." Mrs. W. C. Clayton, Louisville, Ky.

Vinol, which contains beef and cod liver peptones, iron and manganese peptonates, and glycerophosphates, is guaranteed to overcome all run-down, weak, devitalized conditions and for chronic coughs, colds and bronchitis. Liggett's Riker-Jaynes Drug Store, Lowell Pharmacy, Routhier & Dehnle, Props., Falls & Burkinshaw, Lowell, also in the leading drug store in all Massachusetts towns.

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"GIFT SLIPPERS PLEASE"

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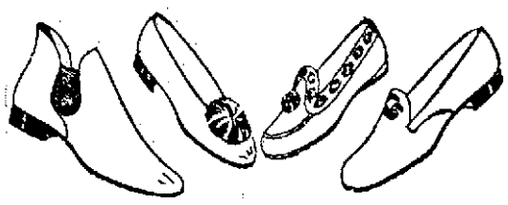
"So many beautiful slippers that make useful gifts and your spacious well lighted Daylight Basement is a pleasant place to come to make your selections."

Why not give slippers this Christmas at these reasonable prices.

WOMEN'S COMFY SLIPPERS with cushion soles, made of heavy felt, in black, pink, old rose, lavender and gray. $1.25 value for 98c



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WOMEN'S INDIAN MOCCASINS made of gray deer skin, lined with pink flannel, with pretty painted design on vamps. $2.00 value for..... $1.50

Large assortment of GIRLS' FELT SLIPPERS, with felt soles, assorted colors and pretty tinsel design on vamp. Special at.... 39c

GIRLS' COMFY SLIPPERS, made of red felt, with soft cushion soles. Special for the holidays. 69c

BOYS' INDIAN MOCCASINS, just the kind deer skin, blue flannel lined, with burned design on vamp. Special at 69c

This is to remind you that we carry in stock Educators, Trot Moc and a full line of fancy hand turned shoes for the little folks that are pretty and useful as a holiday gift.

BOYS' MEDIUM MOCCASINS, just the kind your boy wants. Do not cost more than leather slippers, yet wear three times as long; several styles to select from at $1.25

GIRLS' INDIAN MOCCASINS made of elk skin, some are ribbon trimmed and some are beaded. $1.25 value for 98c

CHILDREN'S RUBBER BOOTS, fleeced lined, sizes 6 to 10½. Special for $1.25

MEN'S SOFT KID SLIPPERS, a gift father or brother will appreciate, made for comfort and service. Tan, brown or black, in Everett, Opera or Romeo styles. Special $1.50

MEN'S GRAY OR BLACK FELT SLIPPERS, or imitation alligator, all sizes 49c

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MEN'S LEATHER MOCCASINS—These are made of soft, flexible leather that will wear, with or without extra sole, $1.75 and $2.00

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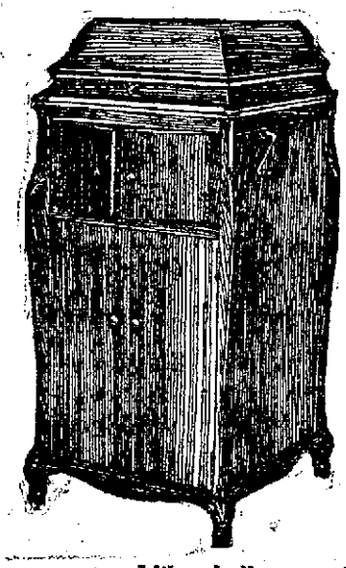

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ASSIGNMENT OF DEPARTMENTS

Always after our city election there is a lot of discussion as to the assignment of commissioners to the different municipal departments. The charter fixes the mayor's departments—those of public safety and health—but the commissioners themselves make the assignments at the opening of the new year. The number of instances in which men have been assigned to departments for which they had no special qualification have led many of our citizens to conclude that it would be better if in every case, the election carried with it a departmental assignment same as in the case of the mayor.

The Lawrence city charter differs from ours in this respect and from all accounts the arrangement to have the candidates run for certain departments is more popular than is our method. The municipal departments in Lawrence are: Finance, Health, Public Property, Public Safety and Streets. When men declare themselves as candidates for commissioner, their qualification for the department they seek is considered by the voters and of two men in other respects equally eligible, the better equipped for the office to be filled is generally supported. As a result, Lawrence elects commissioners who have some special qualifications for the positions they seek. This is particularly true of the building and street departments. Here in Lowell it is often a case of putting men in charge of departments for which they have no qualification. This can be overcome only by an amendment to our city charter by which the departments to be filled shall be designated before election, not after.

If the charter were so modified, we should then elect commissioners for the street department, the fire and water department same as we elect the mayor for the public safety department, and thus leave to the decision of the voters the choice of the men to fill the various departments. There is a growing sentiment in this city in favor of the change here indicated. The action of next year's city council may decide whether the change will be favored but it is altogether too soon to start tinkering our charter. Anyhow but little advantage would be derived from the change proposed.

EXCESS OF EFFICIENCY

Some industries are being killed by the efficiency men, the long line of parasitic efficients and co-efficients employed to watch, to count, to measure, compute and record every movement made by each employe in the course of the day.

The firms that employ these efficiency engineers must think there is a great possibility of saving in the work of the operatives. But the result in the long run is found to be unsatisfactory and to defeat its own purpose. The added expense is heavy, while nothing is gained but a lot of records that are of no use as a basis for the introduction of improved methods. The best kind of efficiency in the textile industry, as in others, comes from the employment and proper direction of skilled operatives.

The fact is, that this classroom efficiency is a failure. The "grads" go out and look very wise while trying to work out a certain percentage of efficiency for every operative and every machine. The output of "efficiency engineers" has been so great of late that they have become a drug on the market. Most of them will have to find some more practical form of employment. Men of practical experience in any line of business make the best efficiency engineers.

HIGHER POSTAL RATES

Postmaster General Burleson has brought a storm about his ears by his recommendation that "all newspapers, magazines and other publications regularly admitted to the mails as matter of the second class" shall in future pay zone rates which in many cases would prove prohibitive and be worse even than the high cost of paper.

The proposition is that all such publications pay one cent a pound for distances up to 300 miles, two cents a pound up to 600 miles, three cents a pound up to 1,000 miles, four cents a pound up to 1,400 miles, five cents a pound up to 1,800 miles, and six cents for more than 1,800 miles.

This schedule may seem very simple but coming as it would on the heels of the jump in paper it would play havoc with some newspapers and other publications of vast benefit to the country for the enlightenment of the people. The present rate may not be sufficient to pay the government for the transportation of newspapers and periodicals under present conditions. It was originally based upon the principle that it was the duty of the government in a measure to aid in the dissemination of intelligence for the public welfare. Mr. Burleson's proposition is altogether too sweeping to be seriously considered by congress.

PROSPEROUS CHRISTMAS

The approach of Christmas this year finds the working people of Lowell better off than at any previous time in our history. They are all steadily employed at wages which average higher than at any previous time within our recollection. To be sure the cost of living is exceedingly high, but there is a prospect of a change in this respect as a result of the various investigations now in progress.

The weather thus far this season has been unusually mild and thus has saved the coal bills from running up to high figures. Judging from the well dressed throngs upon our streets day and evening and from the great activity in the stores, there is every prospect of a good Christmas trade, a trade that will bring Christmas cheer to the hearts and homes of the poorest in our city to an extent rarely, if ever, equalled.

JOFFRE THE HERO

There is no lack of appreciation by the French nation or people in the retirement of General Joffre. It is felt that the strain upon him since the beginning of the war and the terrible ordeals he has gone through entitle him to a rest. Hence a younger man will be put in his place. General Joffre does not retire as some others have done under a cloud. He has brought glory to France and will go down in history as the savior of the republic at a time when its destruction was sought by the most formidable foe that ever attacked any nation. France has reason to felicitate herself that she has not only a Joffre but other generals fully equipped to take his place. Gen. Petain, if reports be true, is a man of Napoleonic impetuosity and strategic skill.

SKATING PARKS

This is the proper time for the park department to arrange for all the skating parks it can provide in order to prevent children from going to the rivers and lakes. Let us hope the season will bring no drownings through thin ice. Let everybody wait for "Shedds."

The United States treasury is troubled with the large supply of gold accumulated from the shipments from Europe in payment of loans. It is estimated that there is at present about $8,000,000,000 available for monetary purposes. This has considerable to do with putting up the cost of living.

The United States Cartridge company has done a wise thing in putting a stop to the raffle evil which had become so common as to be a veritable form of gambling. The company has also forbidden the sending around of subscription papers for presents for foremen or bosses. That, too, will prevent abuses and imposition. The Christmas number of Factory Notes just out is a highly interesting issue.

Reports persist that Vance McCormick will become secretary of war in the new Wilson cabinet. If he proves as good a fighter in that office as he was on the democratic national committee, he may get us into trouble with some of the powers. He is certainly a scrapper.

Christmas trees are coming in from various points to the cities of New England. If reports be true, the trees are purchased at the rate of from five to eight cents only to be sold at 50 cents to the consumer after going through the hands of the shippers and middlemen.

The first war levy on the people of Bucharest is $450 per citizen, which in that nation is probably as good as twice the amount in this country.

Seen and Heard

They are saying "Peace! Peace!" But there is no peace.

A Boston newspaper informs us that a Williamstown woman has "shot a deer for the third year in succession." Must be exasperating to both the dear woman and the deer.

Nor Lowell for Lawrence

Well, Lawrence won't be "the dumping ground" for Lowell after all.—Lawrence Sun American.

Wonderful Discovery

A Courier-Citizen correspondent discovers that "the largest vote for license in Lowell was given in the wards giving the largest vote for Brown and Warnock."

Absolutely Unnecessary

The town council of a small Scotch community met to inspect a site for a new hall. They assembled at a casual, and as it was a warm day a member suggested that they should leave their coats there.

"Some one can stay behind and watch them," suggested another.

"What for?" demanded a third. "If we are all going out together, what need is there for anyone to watch the clothes?"—(Tit-Bits.)

A Use for the Hyphen

Denis A. McCarthy, of Cambridge, who spoke at the recent no-license rally in this city, told this story. A school teacher was testing her scholars in spelling. One little girl had the word "bird-cage" and she spelled it correctly, using the hyphen in the right place. The teacher said: "That is right, Isabelle. Now can you tell me what the hyphen is for?" The little girl thought a moment and answered: "Oh, that is for the little bird to sit on."

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That a person can have is good eyesight for Christmas. Perfect fitting glasses here. We can aid in making you happy.

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Wouldn't Dodge That Tax

A prominent business man of this city who has remained a bachelor until well along in life was talking with a friend the other day about the income tax.

"Well, Jim," said the friend, "next thing we know there will be a tax on bachelors. Even now some states are proposing such a tax, to be increased a certain per cent, every ten years of bachelorhood."

"That may be all right," commented Jim.

"But, man at your age you would have to pay the state a hundred dollars a year to remain single."

"Well," said Jim, quietly, "it's worth it."

The Queen's Fleets

Take for thy throne, my queen, this niche my hand
Hath carved for thee.
Here in the gray breast of this dune of sand
That fronts the sea.
In sovereign state aloof: the solitude
Hedging thee round, as once thy maidenhood,
Make me no partner of thy thought or speech
This hour when day and darknes meet.
But count me merely jetsam of the beach,
Here at thy feet.

It is mute beauty's hour. No late bird sings;
Voiceless, serene,
The sea dreams; silence holds all lovely things—
And thou art queen!
For Silence, in the twilight's gold and red
Behind thee ,sets a crown upon thy head.
Send forth, O Queen! thy fleets of thought,
And let me wait to hail them home again
With riches fraught.

By Fancy captained, send thy fleets afar
To win the sea;
Send them to know what spoils in ocean are,
What mystery,
What beauty in all things that 'suffered change'
In coral caves to 'something rich and strange.'
Then bring them home, and I with kingly might
Will take their treasure, as it lies
Safe-harbored in the starlit, purple night
Of thy dear eyes.

From "Songs of Wedlock," by T. A. Daly.

Factory Notes

The Christmas number of "Factory Notes," the breezy monthly magazine issued by the United States Cartridge company, has just reached this office, and it is not only the most attractive of the series, but one of the most readable booklets of the kind that comes to the exchange desk.

The cover shows a seasonable design in green and red. In the centre is old Santa himself crowned with holly and holding two lighted candles, and there is a holly border with red berries and a peal of bells. On the inside of the cover is a wish from the executives of the company to the employes for "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

As usual, "Factory Notes" is all that the name implies. It is attractive in form, well illustrated, full of interest and sparkling with wit and humor. Scores of employes are touched up in the personal notes or cartoons, and the news is really news, live, full of "pep" and well written. There are several special articles that ought to interest many outside of the Cartridge shop circle, and there are topical poems and limericks that prove the existence of genuine talent among the contributors. The various cuts are clear and interesting and of the cartoons it is only necessary to mention that of Officer Joe Boyd's triumphal progress to the O.M.I. Cadets' ball.

A notice against the selling of raffle tickets, posted by order of Superintendent Gerald Cahill, will find ready approval elsewhere. It runs as follows:

Notice: A number of complaints have been received by the executives concerning the promiscuous selling of raffle tickets throughout the factory. This has grown to be an imposition and an abuse, and must, therefore, be discontinued.

The selling of raffle tickets on, or in, the company's property is hereby absolutely prohibited.

Was a Member of the Fighting 15th

John Christopher of 994 Moody St., Lowell, Relates Interesting Experiences

The most important thing that persons can do for themselves, and about which they are often very neglectful, is to watch the condition of the stomach and bowels. The weary eyes, the bad breath, the frequent headaches,

JOHN CHRISTOPHER.

the sore back, the lassitude and listlessness, the nights of sleeplessness, the growing irritableness, and nervousness, cold hands and feet, the lack of appetite—all these are monitors of a deranged stomach and bowels, and given a general name, is—nervous debility. Many remedies can be obtained, but the best, in the opinion of most people, is Plant Juice, the new herbal stomach remedy. Thousands of people have been benefited by the use of this great preparation.

Among those is Mr. John Christopher, who lives at No. 994 Moody street, Lowell, who served in the 15th Inf. (Maine), 19th Corps, under Gen. Banks, where he participated in the glorious record made by the "Fighting 15th." He is prominent in G.A.R. circles, being a member of Post No. 42. He relates many interesting experiences and hardships which he endured are now history and but a memory are treasured in the minds of the younger generation. He said:

"For years I have been troubled with my stomach; could not digest my food and suffered agony after eating. I was badly bloated with gas, my appetite was poor, liver was inactive, and I had a burning sensation in the pit of my stomach. When I awoke in the morning I always felt dizzy, and had headaches all of the time. I could not sleep at night and got in a very badly run-down condition, so that I was unable to work. I read so much about your Plant Juice in the home papers that I decided to give it a trial. After taking it for a few weeks, I can truthfully say that I am greatly relieved; my appetite is fine. I sleep well at night, and am not troubled with gas or bloating. I feel better and stronger in every way, and cannot praise Plant Juice too highly."

The Plant Juice Man is at The Dows Drug Store, in Merrimack Sq., where he is daily meeting the local public, and introducing and explaining the merits of this remedy. On Saturday he will remain at the store until 10 p. m. to meet those who are unable to call during the day.

They Do Say

That Charles and Newell are at it again.

That the Kimballs were "champs" last night.

That little things sometimes cause big miseries.

That the broken toy dog has not yet been replaced.

That 19 acres for $300 is very cheap—go to it Bert.

That if you keep at it you're bound to land somewhere.

That peace proposals may be in order at city hall soon.

That Lowell high expects a good track team this year.

That both Duncan and Putnam lost out like good sports.

That the street railway men are still wearing those smiles.

That a few of the sub department heads are a little uneasy.

That the local extension classes are proving most successful.

That it is a dreamy pleasure to watch the snow falling.

That there are homelier sights than a mill lighted up at night.

That Owen Monahan may be worrying—but he does not look it.

That eight hour's sleep each night is one of the steps to long life.

That the high school regiment ball promises to be a brilliant event.

That there never was a war innocent people didn't have to pay for.

That every year seems like an old friend when it comes near the close.

That "Le Sanglier" made a hit at the Rogers Hall school last evening.

That responsibility is so heavy it makes some people round-shouldered.

That postal patrons will do well to read Postmaster Meehan's suggestions.

That it is really a fine thing we do not all see things from the same viewpoint.

That the drawn issue between the mayor and the chief has come to a head.

That the cops are looking for the man who kicked the "I" out of Kelly.

That dimples are the ruin of many a man—somebody else's dimples of course.

That the "kiddoes" have taken out their sleds and are making great use of them.

That some Lowell anglers are hoping Lake Mascuppic will be stocked with hornpouts.

That the fishermen of Lowell would like to try their luck for pickerel in Forge pond.

That better car service during the Christmas season would be appreciated by shoppers.

That members of the municipal council have good memories when it comes to casting up.

That Joseph Payette is president of Club Citoyens-Americains and also of the executive committee.

That the worst of going to the auto show is that you have to come away without one of the new cars.

That whether in or out of the thrift club, the best thing a young man can do is to cultivate the saving habit.

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AGREE TO FIREMEN'S RAISE

Brockton Common Council's Action Practically Assures the Force of More Pay

BROCKTON, Dec. 15.—Permanent firemen are practically assured of an increase in salary of $200 by action of the common council last night, when the aldermen's vote for the increases was concurred in. Mayor John S. Burbank can now make the ordinance operative. The following salaries are provided for: Captain, $1600; lieutenant, $1500; engineman, $1450, and privates, $1400. Another ordinance granting the same increase to the policemen was referred to the concurrence.

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FRED MITCHELL GOES TO THE CHICAGO CUBS

BRAVES RECEIVE OUTFIELDER JOE KELLY AND CASH CONSIDERATION

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—In exchange for Joe Kelly, an outfielder, who batted in 54 games this past season for .254, and with a cash consideration also mentioned, the Braves have allowed Fred Mitchell, Harvard coach and Stallings' assistant, to go to the Chicago Cubs. The assumption is that Mitchell will manage the team, succeeding Joe Tinker, although it is admitted that "Mitch" is not Owner Weeghman's first choice for the position.

Weeghman was prepared to assume George Stallings' contract with the Braves, which has still four seasons to run, and to pay the Braves' boss a considerably greater salary than he is receiving, but none of the large stockholders in the club were willing to listen to a plan which, if carried out, would fatally weaken the club.

While the business relations between President Haughton and Manager Stallings have been marked by one or two differences of opinion, there has been no such breach between them as need prevent their harmonious co-operation in the future, it is believed.

Pitched for Phillies

Mitchell, after experience with the Lawrence, New England League club in 1897, broke in as a pitcher for the Phillies nearly 15 years ago. In spite of the fact that he was a failure the Red Sox later tried him with the same result. Mitchell also pitched for the Athletics and later for Brooklyn, but was sent to the Toronto club. It was then that he became a catcher and was purchased by the Yankees in 19[illegible]. He caught for them in the city series with the Giants that year, but soon drifted to the Buffalo International League club, from which he was purchased by the Braves for $500 as substitute backstop and coach.

Mitchell received credit for developing James and Rudolph, who, with Tyler, pitched the Braves into the 19[illegible] world's championship.

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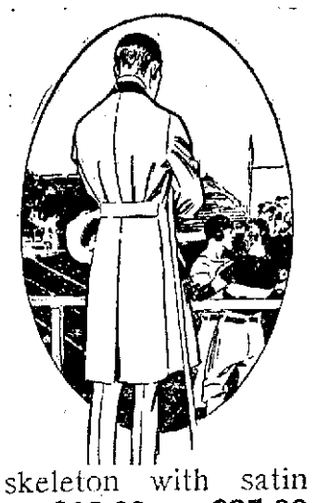
WITH A GOOD OVERCOAT FOR CHRISTMAS?



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UNITED STATES HAS THE RIGHT TO INITIATE MOVEMENT FOR PEACE

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 15.—The right of a neutral which has suffered from the effects of the European war, particularly the right of the United States, to initiate a movement for peace was asserted here last night before the League to Enforce Peace by Senator Stone, chairman of the senate foreign relations committee.

"Since the war has almost from the beginning, resulted in continuing offensive attacks on the rights and dignity of this sovereignty and in inflicting incalculable injury to our national interests—all of which we have borne with patience because of our friendship for the nations involved," said Senator Stone, "it seems to me that after enduring these attacks and suffering these losses for nearly two and a half years, with no end yet in sight, that we have a right, without regard to any question of sympathy or humanity, but solely on our own account and to safeguard our own interests, to approach the combatants as a mutual friend and open negotiations with a view to the re-establishment of normal international conditions.

"Our relations to the combat are such, and our interests are so involved, that I think we have a right to speak—a right so clear as to entitle us to speak without asking and without just offense. We would not speak impertinently as interneddlers, but as a friend who suffered grievously and innocently from the ruthless acts of war."

The senator declared he wished it distinctly understood that he spoke on his own personal responsibility, but said he later might speak "in another forum," on whether any neutral or group of neutrals should "attempt any affirmative action to end the present war." He said he would not discuss the wisdom or unwisdom of an approach of the belligerents with peace proposals, but merely of "the propriety of the right," and pointed out that distinguished men in this country and in the warring countries have warned that such a movement would not only be futile but offensive.

"I am not disposed," he added, "to accept without questioning, either the accuracy of these statements or the soundness of the reasons on which they are predicated. Two families with a feud between them might, so long as they kept the peace and observed the law, resent any effort of an outsider to harmonize them; but if they should break forth into open war, so as to disturb the general peace and visit universal harm upon the whole neighborhood, the law-abiding members of the community would have a right to call a halt without being guilty of impertinence. Why should not the same rule apply, morally and legally, to the family of nations?"

The United States, the senator said, has suffered from acts committed which "have been grossly offensive to our national pride and hurtful beyond estimate to our national interests." He instanced censorship of the mails, ships seized or sunk on the high seas, peaceful commerce with neutrals interrupted or interdicted, and American citizens—"men, women and children guilty of no offense—killed on land and sea without warning and without justification."

"There have been times," he continued, "when our patience has been strained to the limit, and when danger to our own national peace lurked in the thickening shadows of every passing day. Yes, there have been times when our peace was preserved only by the clear vision, the steady hand, the resolute heart of one man. Do not such things give us some right of our own to speak a kindly word in behalf of peace."

"I cannot escape the view," Senator Stone concluded, "that a neutral nation, suffering on so large a scale the evils of war, is not obligated from any just point of view to stand helplessly aloof, denied all right to offer even a suggestion until invited to speak. On the contrary I hold that whenever a nation, or any group of neutral nations, becomes the unoffending victim of any wars, it or they, acting singly or in concert, can as of right make representations to the nations at war, to discuss the questions at issue and strive for a basis upon which honorable peace may be restored to the world.

"If you ask what the neutral nation or nations might do if their approachment should be resented as offensive, I answer that that would be a question for after consideration. The question is not difficult to answer. Various things might be done if any or all belligerents persisted in a course which might be regarded as not only offensive to but hurtful to the neutral nations offering their friendly services. I do not now care to go to the length of indicating what might be done.

"My purpose is venturing upon this theme is solely to combat the nation that in the circumstances of this war neutral nations cannot properly move, even in the most friendly spirit, to terminate a struggle disastrous not only to the nations engaged in it but enormously hurtful to the whole world until such outside intervention has been invited. I cannot subscribe to that doctrine."

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HUB FIREMEN TRAPPED IN CELLAR FIRE

ONE IMPRISONED IN BARREL—OTHER WENT TO RESCUE—BOTH OVERCOME

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—Thirteen families, numbering more than 50 persons, were driven from their homes, and Captain H. J. Teehan with Hoseman James Nolan, both of Engine 4, Roxbury, were overcome by smoke, last night about 11 o'clock at a fire in the basement and first floor of the grocery and provision store of the Warren Supply company, 11 Warren street, Roxbury.

The cause of the fire has not been determined. It is said to have been the second fire within the month that has occurred in this store. The damage is estimated to be about $5000 to stock and building. The store is owned by Genness Morrill. The Hymen brothers own the building.

Passersby, who discovered the fire, rang in the alarm and then quickly returned to the building to arouse the tenants to a sense of their danger. Within a brief time the 13 families and their children, in various states of undress, were out on the street. They were invited into the homes of neighbors.

Engine 4 of Roxbury was the first apparatus to respond. Hoseman Nolan broke through a transom window leading to the cellar where the fire was raging. He let himself drop into the basement from the sidewalk preparatory to playing a hose on the fire. When he dropped he fell into an empty barrel.

While firemen outside were shouting to him that they were passing the hose line, he struggled to release himself from imprisonment in the barrel. He rolled about in the barrel among empty boxes and empty barrels in the smoke-filled cellar, but was unable to liberate himself.

He soon lost consciousness. Capt. M. J. Teehan of the same company, fearing that something was amiss with Hoseman Nolan, let himself fall into the basement. He groped about for Nolan. He located him, but could give no assistance, as he was losing consciousness in the dense smoke. He fell unconscious to the cellar floor near Nolan.

A choking volume of illuminating gas from a broken pipe was filling the cellar, in and about where the prostrate men lay. Acting Deputy Chief Mulligan and his driver, Thomas Flanagan, went into the cellar.

Chief Mulligan and Flanagan seized the barrel that held Nolan a captive and one holding Nolan by the shoulders and the other pulling the barrel they freed him. They reached him out to their comrades on the sidewalk. Captain Teehan was soon placed on the walk beside Nolan.

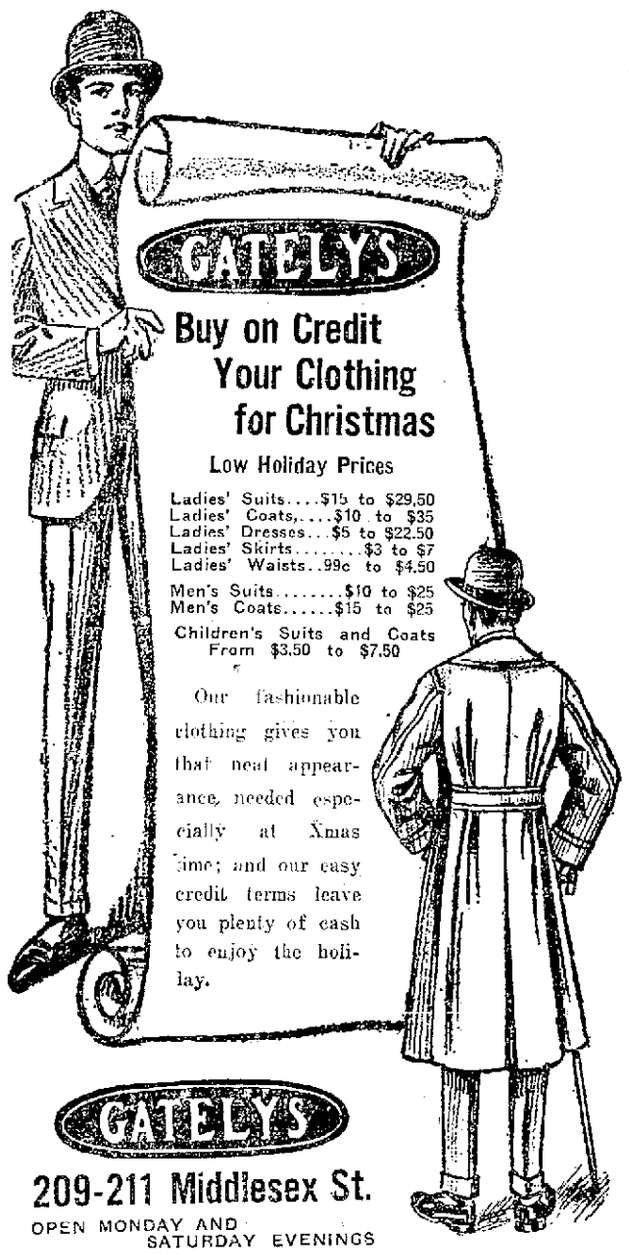
Dr. E. R. Gookin seized a pulmotor from one of the fire wagons and used it on the unconscious men. Nolan, partly revived, was taken to the City hospital in a police ambulance and Captain Teehan was brought there in an auto by the acting deputy. They both were reported as resting comfortably early this morning.

WILSON GAINS A VOTE

Official Returns in West Virginia Show Highest Democrat Elector Above Lowest Republican

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Dec. 15—Official announcement was made here last night that the total vote cast in West Virginia in the recent election for president was Charles E. Hughes, republican, 143,121, Woodrow Wilson, democrat, 140,403.

President Wilson, however, will receive one electoral vote, as Col. S. A. Scott, republican elector, who was placed on the ticket following the resignation of J. W. Dawson, received a smaller vote than Orlando de Pue, democrat.



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THE ONE-PRICE DENTIST

Positively No Raising of Prices. Keep This Ad., It Is Worth $1.00

Any new patient presenting this ad. at this office will receive $1 worth of work free. This offer is made to demonstrate our superior method of filling, crowning and extracting teeth, and places you under no obligation to have more than the dollar's worth of work done.

FULL SET TEETH $5.00

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No More Asked or Taken

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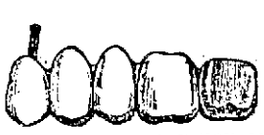
UNPARALLELED OFFER—Wear one of my Sets of Teeth for ten days, and if at the end of that time you are not satisfied with them return them to me and I will REFUND YOUR MONEY IN FULL.



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NO MORE ASKED FOR OR TAKEN

22k. Gold Crowns and Bridge Work

Porcelain crowns $3.00

Porcelain Fillings, $1 to $2

Gold Fillings .....$1.00 up

Silver and Other Fillings, 50c to $1.00

Broken Plates Repaired in Three Hours. Consultation and Examination Free.

175 CENTRAL STREET

Bradley Building, Opposite Appleton National Bank. Hours: 9 a. m. to 8 p. m. French spoken. Phone 4020.

7 MORE SHOPPING DAYS BEFORE CHRISTMAS

Chalifoux's ON THE SQUARE ESTABLISHED 1877

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Useful Gifts From Our Men's Dept.

MEN'S SHIRT DEPT.

GIVE HIM A SHIRT

It may be just the one he has been looking at with longing eyes for a week or more. And then imagine his surprise and pleasure. Our stock of shirts is most complete and also rightly priced.

Silk and Fibre Shirts $3.00, $3.50, $4.00

Neglige Shirts 50c, 69c, $1.00, $1.50

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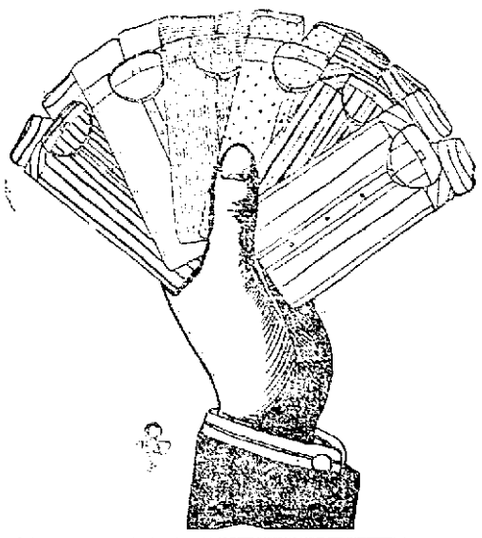


Men's Pajamas in domet and soisette....$1.00, $1.50

Men's Suspenders, 25c, 50c

Men's Sweaters...$1 to $7

Arm Bands, plain and fancy, 17c, 25c, 50c

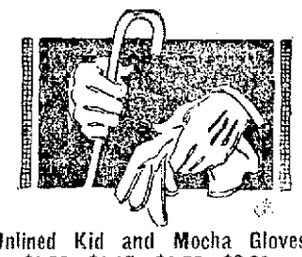
MEN'S UMBRELLAS 79c to $3.50

Good assortment of handles

MEN'S HANDKERCHIEFS, ALL PRICES

STREET FLOOR

Christmas Showing —OF— Men's Gloves



Unlined Kid and Mocha Gloves $1.00, $1.15, $1.50, $2.00

Wool Lined Gloves $1.00, $1.15, $1.50, $2.00

Squirrel Lined.....$3.50 to $5

Don't forget the useful gifts we have for boys, such as RAINCOATS, MACKINAWS, COATS and SUITS, reasonably priced.

Give Him a Necktie

ORIENTAL DESIGNS APLENTY

Ties alive with color, Christmas color, green and crimson, warm, blended designs, plaids and simple blacks. Don't give him the first tie that strikes your fancy. Buy what ties are known and correctly valued.

MEN'S NECKWEAR

In silk and knit. Priced 25c, 50c, 65c, 79c, $1.00, $1.50 and $2.00

COMBINATION SETS 50c, 75c and $1.00

MEN'S GARTERS Of All Kinds 17c Pair

Men's Hosiery

A PRACTICAL XMAS GIFT

SOCKS! It's a peculiar thing. A man will hesitate long before buying new socks for himself. But he glows over them when they are given him as though they were Milady's jewels. All styles and colors will be found here. Priced from.....12½c to $1.00

Give Him a Smoking Jacket

Most every man smokes. Every man lounges. Almost every man has the tired business feeling when he comes home from work in the evening. If he has not he ought to have. We have them in all styles and colorings, reasonably priced from

$5.00 to $12.00

See Windows 1 and 3

AGENTS FOR ELITE AND BANISTER SHOES FOR MEN

Bath Robes

A cold bath or a warm one for that matter is apt to be followed by a shiver these cold days. After the shiver—the bath robe and comfort. We have a complete line. Priced from

$3.00 to $9.00

Club Bags.....$2.39 to $14.00

Student Bags.....$1.15 to $5.00

Dress Suit Cases.....$1.00 to $5.00

Walking Sticks.....$1.00 to $3.00

Men's Mackinaws.....$5.00 to $9.00

Street Floor

Gem Safety Razors

Razor and Six Blades, in lined box, for..... 59c

Street Floor

OLD PATTERN RAZORS

(Like Cut) Case is marked $3.00

On Sale at 39c

Street Floor

Flash Lights

75c Flash Lights for.....49c

$1.00 Pencil Lights for.....69c

$1.00 Pistol Lights for.....69c

Variety of other Flash Lights at equally low prices.

THE FRENCH MAID SAYS

CONTROL OF THE LIPS

Real beauty, which is always of character, can be engraven upon the mouth by right living and right thinking. Physically the lips may be cared for properly so that they are soft and red, well shaped by proper care of the teeth, by correct massage, by a little thought in their management, both in laughing and speaking.

This last named method may seem to smack of artificiality but this is not necessarily so. Have we not seen some singers who grimace terribly over their utterances while others make charming mouths which really enhance each word as it issues forth? In the one case the singer has been taught to handle her lips incorrectly or perhaps has been taught not even the rudiments of handling them at all, all effort being concentrated in the forming of the tone. In the other instance the facial expression has been taken into account and while the tone is not sacrificed, the pleasing effect of the music is not marred by grotesque mouthings and lip stretchings.

If such lip control is possible in singers, it is also possible in those who do not sing. The woman who will persevere can learn to speak and use the lips becomingly, thus not only enunciating clearly but with graceful movement. She will take pains to keep her lips, when in repose, in an expression of good cheer and courage rather than allow them to slackly droop in sadness and gloom.

We are all familiar with the nervous mouth that is drawn far to one side when talking. Others pucker the lips when thinking and often while talking. The former is bound to make the mouth incline permanently more to one side than the other. The latter habit will wrinkle the lips and age them far more quickly than the passing years.

Others seem to pout continually. All these unbecoming little habits bring about anything but an attractive expression. Every woman should watch for and correct such bad habits lest they become fixed and almost unchangeable.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children

In Use For Over 30 Years

Always bears the signature of Chas. H. Fletcher

IN BOSTON

The Sun is on sale every day at both news stands of the Union station in Boston. Don't forget this when taking your train for Lowell.

TO UNIONIZE FEDERAL EMPLOYES IN BOSTON

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—A meeting of representatives of workers in various departments of the government service in this city will be held at Wells Memorial hall tonight to form a union and affiliate with the American Federation of Labor. The object is to secure better hours and working conditions.

The men in the postoffice department, it is declared, work but eight hours a day, according to law, and all men employed by private contractors who work on government work are allowed to work but eight hours a day, but the employes of the government are forced to work any number of hours that their immediate superiors may order them.

This, as well as placing the members in a position to participate in legislative work for betterments, is given as the reason for organizing.

The constitution granted by the A.F. of L. to workers in the government service contains a clause which forbids strikes or boycotts.

The A.F. of L., co-operating with the Federal Employes' union in 1912, succeeded in having congress pass a law which offset executive orders issued by Presidents Roosevelt and Taft, which forbid employes from organizing, and the workers from taking any grievances or demands to congress, other than through department heads.

In the immigration and customs service the officers are forced to work seven days a week and many of them from 15 to 18 hours a day.

PUMPS

FOOT VALVES, STRAINERS, ETC.

PIPE FITTINGS AND VALVES

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71 MIDDLE STREET

U. S. SUBMARINE STILL INTACT CREW SAVED

EUREKA, Calif., Dec. 15.—The submarine H-3 in which 25 enlisted men and two officers of the United States navy were imprisoned for several hours yesterday while she pounded, disabled, in a heavy surf on the beach near the Eureka harbor entrance was still intact early today as far as could be seen from the shore.

The sea was smoother during the night and hope was expressed that with the aid of the coast guard cutter McCullough, which left San Francisco last night and should arrive here during the day, the stranded diver would be hauled back into deep water.

The crew of the H-3 spent the night on the U.S.S. Cheyenne, the mother ship of the H-flotilla, in Eureka harbor, while the H-1 and the H-2, which were accompanying the H-3 to San Diego from Puget sound, continued unconvoyed to San Francisco.

Werner Swens, the plucky coast guardsman of the Eureka lifesaving station, today became the hero of the rescue. While the naval men were still bottled up in the diver a coast guard cutter with eight men pulled alongside with a lead line for a breeches buoy. When the cutter was dashed away by a giant wave, Swens leaped aboard the diver and made fast the line.

Washed overboard, he clasped a straggling line and hauled himself to safety, only to be forced to repeat his hazardous struggle a moment later. The conning tower hatch was opened to him when the men inside became aware of his presence through his lusty kicks and a little later Swens and members of the crew were able to haul the buoy tackle aboard.

The H-3 once before piled up on the California coast and stuck on a mud bank for 24 hours on her trial trip, but never before probably has a diver crew been subjected to the triple dangers that Lieut H. R. Bogusch and his men experienced yesterday. Drowning through the opening of seams under the terrible pounding in the surf was their first danger. Chlorine gas from leaking batteries then threatened the lives of the crew.

CHRISTMAS TREE FOR HORSES

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—Francis R. Rowley, president of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, yesterday received permission from Mayor Curley to erect a mammoth Christmas tree in Postoffice square and play Santa Claus for the horses that pass that way. The tree has been provided through the generosity of a prominent friend of the society. It will be heavily burdened with apples, carrots, sugar lumps and other delicacies dear to the horses of the Hub.

Mayor Curley highly commended the plan yesterday as an object lesson which will teach people to be kind to animals.

DIVIDEND OF 25 PER CENT

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—A special dividend of 25 per cent in Anglo-French bonds and an extra cash dividend of 10 per cent in addition to the regular quarterly disbursement were declared today by the Scoville Manufacturing Co., makers of brass goods and fuses for shrapnel of Waterbury, Conn.

DID YOU THINK OF ANY OF THESE WHEN YOU MADE YOUR LIST?

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Bissell's Carpet Sweepers.
Folding Card Tables.
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Furniture—Rugs—Shades
174 CENTRAL STREET

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The municipal council of the city of Lowell will give a public hearing at their room, City Hall, Monday, December 18, 1916, at 7:30 o'clock p. m. on petition of John E. Sullivan and others.

For the purchase by the City of Lowell of "The Fair Grounds" or "Camp Chase" for a playground or an amusement park.

By order of the Municipal Council,

STEPHEN FLYNN, Clerk.

Dec. 15, 1916.

"If you want a job at home or in your business, try the Sun "Want" column.

DESTROYS $5000 IN BILLS AND ENDS LIFE

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—Having destroyed between $5000 and $7000 in bills of large denomination, leaving in a bank only $300 to defray his funeral expenses, and thrown his jewelry away, Gustavus A. Gardner, aged 29, who killed himself on his brother's grave in Holy Cross cemetery, Malden, late Wednesday afternoon was buried this morning according to his last wish.

This action on the part of Gardner was discovered in a second letter which was found yesterday among his effects at the Hotel Bellevue as directed in the first letter which asked Richard C. Kirby, an East Boston undertaker to bury him.

In the long letter the young man stated that the money he had destroyed had belonged to his dead mother and brother and that in conscience he could not spend it, nor could he bear to leave it behind, hence its destruction.

Until he left Boston a year ago, Gardner was the private secretary of the Boston Athletic association. He was born in East Boston. His friends say his mind must have become unbalanced.

The funeral services were held at the parlors of Undertaker Kirby, 15 to 17 Bennington street, East Boston, and a requiem mass was sung at 9 o'clock at St. Joseph's church, Orient Heights, the parish in which the unfortunate young man formerly resided.

CAMBRIDGE MAN WAS FROZEN TO DEATH

MILLINOCKET, Me., Dec. 15.—Thos. Cronin, aged 34, of Cambridge, Mass., was found frozen to death on the tote road between this town and Spring Brook yesterday. He had been employed as a teamster by the Great Northern Paper company and Wednesday started to walk 20 miles to Spring Brook.

BOMB WRECKS SLEEPING CAR OF STRIKEBREAKERS

THIRTY-FOUR MEN NARROWLY ESCAPED SERIOUS INJURY—POLICE SEEK STRIKERS

PROVIDENCE, Dec. 15.—Thirty-four strike-breakers narrowly escaped serious injury and the sleeping car in which they were resting for the night at South Water and India streets was badly damaged by the explosion of a bomb under one of the trucks early yesterday.

Guards were stationed about the coach to protect the strike-breakers, who are employed by the railroad at the Providence line dock, where there has been a strike in progress for some weeks. Every window in the car was shattered and a large hole was torn in the floor, but no one was seriously hurt. Bunks were forced against the roof and the occupants received a severe shaking up.

The police are searching for three strikers as the bomb suspects.

A SPRINGFIELD MILK STRIKE PREVENTED

SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 15.—Milk dealers in the city opened the way for prevention of the threatened milk strike yesterday, when nine of the largest of them consented to sign an agreement giving the producers six cents a quart from now to the first of May. The agreement was drawn up after a conference with the board of trade special committee of investigation, and many of the producers have already signified their willingness to accept it.

The smaller dealers have until 5 o'clock today to sign. It is not anticipated they will refuse as it would mean probable loss of their customers to the larger dealers. This constitutes the first victory of the local organized dairy interests.

GONE TO MILWAUKEE

Rev. Hariton Panagopoulos, pastor of the Greek Orthodox church of this city, left last evening for Milwaukee, Wis., where he has accepted the position of pastor of the Greek Orthodox church.

Rev. Fr. Panagopoulos has been a resident of this city for the past four years, during which time he was pastor of the local church. Two years ago he was given an assistant in the person of Rev. Nestor Sanslides and since that time the two clergymen have taken care of the parish together. Last Sunday Rev. Fr. Panagopoulos tendered his resignation to the community and last evening after holding farewell to his flock, he left for his new place. During his stay in Lowell, Rev. Fr. Panagopoulos made a host of friends, who received the news of his departure with grief. For the present the affairs of the local parish will be taken care of by Rev. Fr. Sanslides.

CUT DOWN ON BUTTER

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—A partial boycott against butter will be started in this city next Wednesday, continuing for three weeks or longer, it was announced last night by Joseph Hartigan, commissioner of weights and measures and secretary of the mayor's committee on food supply. Housewives will be asked to economize in the use of the product, instead of being urged not to buy it at all.

"Never in the history of the trade have there been such shortages in butter and eggs," Hartigan said.

JITNEY MEN SEEK INJUNCTION

PROVIDENCE, Dec. 15.—Many jitney operators and owners, alleged victims of a bonding conspiracy, filed yesterday a bill of complaint against the city of Providence, Walter L. Clarke, city treasurer, and the board of police commissioners, in the superior court, asking for an injunction to restrain the respondents from suspending the licenses of the complainants until a hearing may be had before the court on the sufficiency of the bonds furnished by them.

NEW HAVEN HAS $50,000 FIRE

NEW HAVEN, Dec. 15.—The furniture store of F. Hofmann, a four story block, was practically burned out here yesterday afternoon. The loss is estimated at about $50,000.

CONSTERNATION IN LIQUOR TRADE IN FRANCE

PARIS, Dec. 15.—The decision of the government to prohibit the consumption during the remainder of the war of alcoholic beverages with the exception of wines and beer has caused consternation in the liquor trade although it is but the logical culmination of a series of restrictive measures which have been taken since the outbreak of hostilities, such as the suppression of absinthe in March, 1915, the doubling of the tax on spirits last June and the granting to private individuals of the privilege of distilling spirits from the produce of their own lands.

M. Grizard, president of the Saloon Keepers' Federation and M. Delarose, sociation declare the new measure will bring ruin to 380,000 saloon keepers now mobilized and fighting for their country and that it will dry up one of the sources of national wealth. On the other side it is pointed out that, aside from consideration of the health of the people, alcohol is needed urgently in the manufacture of munitions for which increasing quantities are being imported. The amount expended for this purpose in the present year is about 130,000,000 francs compared with 30,000,0000 francs last year.

M. Riemain, secretary of the Anti-Alcohol league, says the prohibition measure will not injure the saloon keepers, but on the other hand will benefit them as they would get small profit with the doubled taxes on spirits while the sale of wine, beer, cider, tea and coffee will yield handsome returns. The distillers will lose nothing, M. Riemain contends, as their whole output will be taken for industrial purposes.

LADIES' AID SOCIETY

The monthly meeting of the Ladies' Aid society of St. Patrick's church was held last evening in the boys' school hall with a large attendance. Plans for Christmas dinners were discussed and special meetings of the relief comittee were called for. Returns were made for the concert and dance held on Nov. 21st, in aid of St. Peter's orphanage. Letters of thanks were read for all those who in any way contributed to its success.

DAILEY WAS VICTIM OF APOPLEXY

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—Thomas Jefferson Dailey, president of the Terminal Bowling and Billiard company, was stricken with apoplexy on the Tremont street mall of Boston common yesterday afternoon as he was on his way to take a car for his home in Somerville. He was sent to the Relief hospital and there pronounced dead.

Mr. Dailey was born in Monticello, Me., 66 years ago of a [illegible] whose ancestry went back to the [illegible] New England days. At a [illegible] he went to Leadville, Col., [illegible] of the mining [illegible] and was prominent in the development of the silver mines there.

Upon his return east he entered the contracting firm of Leavitt, Dailey & Crowell, which was engaged in some [illegible] and important works throughout New [illegible]. In recent years he had been one of the leading promoters in the sport of bowling, and had served as president of the Boston association.

Mr. Dailey was a man of gentle nature and of very fine friendships, and his friends were legion. No one had [illegible] more than he to develop interest in bowling as a clean, wholesome recreation.

He is survived by a wife, a son, J. Harry Dailey of Auburn, Me., and a daughter, Mrs. James Morgan of Swampscott. His home was at 52 Mt. Vernon st., Somerville.

MEETING OF REICHSTAG

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 15, via London.—The Berlin Lokal Anzeiger says it learns that Maj. Ernest Bassermann of the national liberals in the reichstag has proposed a meeting of the reichstag finance committee in order to discuss the foreign political situation. The utmost importance is attached to the proposed meeting, which is to be secret, the newspaper adds.

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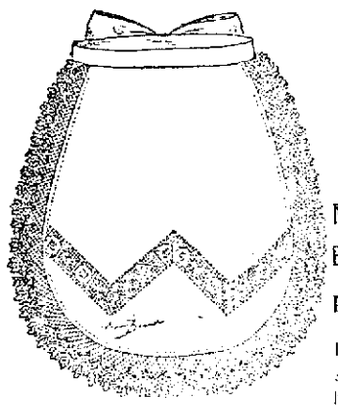


Aprons

—For Maid or Maiden
—For Miss or Mrs.

Many Christmas Gifts Can Be Chosen From Our Display of Dainty Aprons

From the simplest lace-bordered Aprons to those artistically embroidered and trimmed, there is newness and desirability in every one. Early selection is of course advantageous.

FANCY TEA APRONS, made of fine quality lawn, lace trimmed ..... 25c to $1.25
MAIDS' AND WAITRESSES' APRONS in an extensive variety of patterns ..... 25c to $1.98
BUNGALOW APRONS, made of neat appearing and durable fabrics ..... 50c to $1.00
Maids' Aprons, Waitresses' Aprons, Fudge Aprons, Tea Aprons, Housewife Aprons, Bungalow Aprons, Office Aprons, Sewing Aprons—in fact, aprons of every description, ranging from ..... 25c to $1.98

BRASSIERES—THE INDISPENSABLE
Bandeaux, pink and white 50c
Embroidered or lace trimmed 50c
Handsome assortment, silk, lace trimmed or all lace. $1.00 to $3.98

SILK STOCKINGS
Best silk stockings known for the money—pure silk and nothing else—same good quality as in former years. $1.00 to $3.00

CORSET COVERS
Our Corset Covers are wonderful for the money. A large variety of lace and Lonsdale trimmed, with and without sleeves ..... 25c to 98c

IMPORTED HANDKERCHIEFS
MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN
Only Imported Handkerchiefs are in our Christmas holiday stock. We contracted for a great many of the assortments many months ago. Prices were lower than they are now, and there was a great variety to select from. These handkerchiefs come from sources which we have been using for years, so that there is no question of their reliability even under such trying conditions in the linen industry as those of today.
Women's Pure Linen Hand Embroidered Initial Handkerchiefs; with block, Old English and long initials ..... 12½c to 25c
Women's Handkerchief Centers; sizes 9 and 10 inches; 1-8 inch hem; for tatting ..... 19c to 37c

CHILDREN'S HANDKERCHIEFS
Single or in fancy boxes to please them 5c, 19c, 25c

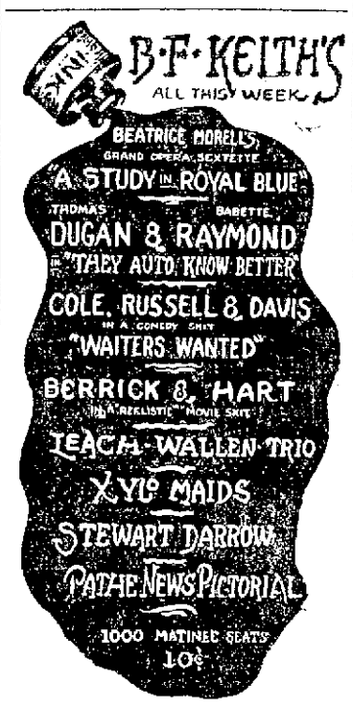
GOWNS
Round and square neck, slip over or empire styles, trimmed with lace insertions and edges and organdie medallions. A dozen styles for $1.00
Dainty Hand Embroidered Gowns $1.50
Fancy Lace Trimmed Gowns $1.98

ENVELOPE CHEMISE
Lace trimmed $1.00, $1.50
SPECIAL CHRISTMAS NUMBERS in crepe de chine, pink or white ..... $1.98 to $4.98

CAMISOLES
Handsome styles in lace trimmed, pink or white, 98c to $2.49

BOUDOIR CAPS
Fascinating confections in silk, crepe de chine and lace combinations, pink, blue, lavender and white ..... 50c, 75c and $1

SILK SKIRTS
Taffeta Petticoats are gay in styles and colorings, $2.98, $3.98, $5.00
Heatherbloom Skirts in black, fancy ruffles, also in fancy colors $1.50, $1.98
Black Skirts, heatherbloom tops and under ruffle and taffeta silk flounce $2.98
EXTRA SIZE SKIRTS, heatherbloom and silk $3.25



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CHARLIE CHAPLIN

In the Return Engagement of

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A fine allaround show including "Liberty" and other pictures.

SPECIAL

Maurice Costello and Ethel Grandin in "The Crimson Stain Mystery."

AMATEUR RUNNING RACES

AT THE ROLLAWAY SATURDAY NIGHT, DEC. 16

Fred Couture, representing Bellevue Club of Lowell vs. James Crowe, representing O.M.I. Cadets of Lowell, and Tony Drouin, representing M.T.I. of Lowell.

NOTE: Couture to run 3 miles, Crowe and Drouin to team and relay 2 mile. Admission 10c. Skating as usual. Races at 9.30.

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Associate Hall Tonight

Miner-Doyle's Orchestra. Tickets 25c

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NEUTRALS TO SUPPORT U. S. IN PEACE MOVE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The authorized statement at the German embassy that consideration of at least partial disarmament would be one of the things taken up at a peace conference attracted the widest attention among government officials and diplomats.

It was accounted doubly interesting because Germany repeatedly had refused such suggestions, even to the point, it was said, of threatening to withdraw from the second Hague conference if the subject were passed.

Disarmament formed practically the whole basis of the Russian circular note of Aug. 12, 1898, proposing the first Hague conference. The note declared that "in checking the increasing armament and in seeking the means of averting the calamities which threaten the entire world lies the supreme duty today resting upon all states."

The first conference adopting the suggestion of a sub-committee decided "the restriction of military charges is extremely desirable for the increase of the moral and material welfare of mankind." Nevertheless owing to the attitude of some of the powers and the difficulty of agreeing on an international plan the mater was left to the various nations without direct suggestion.

"With the call for the second conference in 1907 it became unmistakable that Germany would not discuss armament. Therefore no mention of it was made in the call, but the United States and Spain reserved the liberty to bring the question forward.

When it became evident, however, that Germany would leave the conference if the question were pressed, Sir Edward Fry, supported by the American and French delegates, spoke in plenary session for some sort of decrease, saying:

"My government is a convinced supporter of these high aspirations."

Nevertheless the subject did not go to general discussion and there was no further action than the mere statement of views by the favoring states. Argentina and Chile stated that they had agreed to partial disarmament, and England, France and the United States pledged themselves to the principle which Russia had brought forward in the first conference.

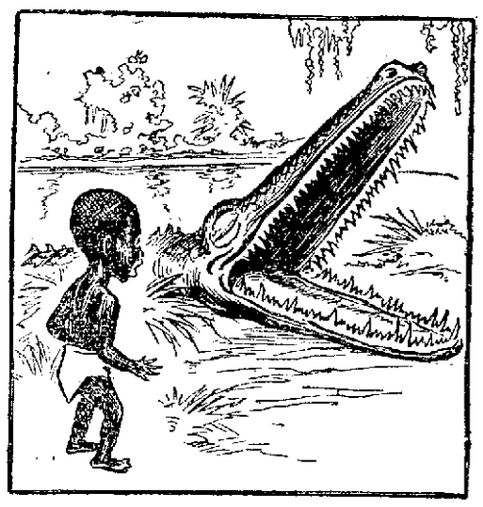
Since the 1907 conference, however, the subject has been widely discussed unofficially but very little by the various governments.

More of the neutral European diplomats have asked their governments to authorize them to assure President Wilson of support in any move designed to bring about consideration of the offer to discuss peace. Among the neutrals the view was reflected that the advantage of supporting Pres. Wilson in any action he may take would be two-fold. Neutral diplomats are certain that the weight of the collective opinions and wishes of many neutrals, headed by the United States, necessarily would demand the greatest consideration. Also, should the joint action not bring about consideration of the proposals, President Wilson would be left free to act on his own initiative, later.

The Germany embassy today was without additional advices of any kind from Berlin. Count von Bernstorff made no appointment to see Secretary Lansing.

BEST GRADES OF FLOUR DROP 25 CENTS BARREL

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 15.—Best grades of flour dropped 25 cents a barrel today as a result of the bearish condition of the wheat market. First patents were quoted at $9, which is $1.50 a barrel below the high mark touched a month ago.



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Heavy Salt Pork 17c
Lean Salt Spare Ribs.....11c
Lean Beef, for stew 13c
Boneless Pot Roast 16c
Fresh Young Fowl .....25c lb.
Gen. Spring Lamb Chops....25c

Pie Apples .....15c pk.
Heavy Grapefruit....6 for 25c
Sweet Florida Oranges..29c doz.
Sweet Bell Peppers.
Fancy Grapefruit.....10c each
Hothouse Lettuce 5c
Yellow Celery 10c
Mixed Nuts .....15c lb.
Howe Cranberries 10c
Salted Mixed Nuts.....75c lb.

Finest Elgin Butter lb. 40c

Fresh Small Haddock.....8c
Large Mackerel .....15c lb.
Fresh Opened Oysters.....45c
Finnan Haddie 12½c
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Shucked Clams .....30c qt.
Fresh Scallops 45c
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Fancy New Or. Molasses....50c
Middlesex Corn Starch.....6c
Economy Coffee .....19c lb.
Garden Bloom Teas.....49c lb.
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B. G. Crisp Cookies.....14c lb.

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CLAIMS OF B. & M. DIRECTORS DENIED

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—The claims of directors of the Boston & Maine railroad that receivership proceedings were instituted to save the road from threatened lawsuits by note holders was denied today by counsel for minority stockholders in the federal court hearing on the question of making the receivership premanent. Conrad W. Crooker, counsel for the protestants, questioned William J. Hobbs, vice president and financial expert of the road, in an effort, as he explained, to show that a majority of the 359 note holders renewed their notes and gave no indication of any intention to seek relief in the courts.

Out of a total of $27,000,000 in claims on notes, Mr. Crocker said that only $1,800,000 went to judgment. The remainder were renewed, the holders exchanging part of their notes for Maine railway notes until the original amount was reduced to $13,300,000, which was outstanding at the time a petition for a receiver was filed last August.

Mr. Hobbs said there was a constantly improving attitude on the part of the note holders toward renewal and that while many had threatened to bring action and were hostile to further extensions, they were finally induced not to sue.

COLDEST WEATHER OF WINTER SEASOM

GREAT SUFFERING IN CLEVELAND—FAMINE IN NATURAL GAS

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 15.—With the coldest weather of the winter prevailing today the city was experimenting a famine in natural gas. The pressure fell to such a low point that there was great suffering and prospects of closing schools.

YOUTH KILLS HIMSELF

LEOMINSTER, Dec. 15.—Frank F. Dorothy, aged 20, employed by the Standard Tool company and son of Mrs. Agnes Dorothy, 19 Oak avenue, committed suicide yesterday in his chamber by blowing a hole through his head with a shotgun. When his mother returned from work last night she found his body. He had been acting queerly for several weeks.

WORKS ON 89TH BIRTHDAY

LAWRENCE, Dec. 15.—Close confinement to a mill has not impaired the health or vitality of George Ainsworth, who celebrated his 89th birthday yesterday by working from 6.45 a. m. till 5.30 p. m. in the warp twisting room of the Washington mills. For the past 79 years Mr. Ainsworth has been a mill operative.

He is confident that he is the oldest active mill operative in the United States, and says he wil remain at his warp until called home.

NO MIDNIGHT MASSES IN PARIS CHRISTMAS EVE

PARISH Dec. 15.—There will be no midnight masses in Paris on Christmas eve. Cardinal Amette, archbishop of Paris, has so decided. The holiday services will take place wholly in daylight in order to economize in lighting and fuel.

COST OF BEING SICK HAS NOW ADVANCED

SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 15. — About 30 drugist attended a special meeting in the rooms of the board of trade yesterday and made it cost more to be sick by advancing the price of drugs.

A committee was chosen to draft a schedule of the cost of drugs to dealers and consumers. The European war is cited as a reason for the marked jump in prices.

It will most more to die in Springfield than ever before, inasmuch as the hackdrivers also met yesterday and decided to charge $5 instead of $4, the former price, for hacks at funerals.

The attribute the increase to the shortage and high price of grain, labor and horses, and decreasing business due to the advent of the automobile.

AGED WOMAN KILLED BY AUTOMOBILE

GLOUCESTER, Dec. 15.—Mrs. Margaret Hooper, aged about 70, widow of Winfield S. Hooper, once keeper of the Ten Pound Island lighthouse, was killed last night by an automobile owned and driven by George W. Woodbury of Eastern Point road, East Gloucester.

The accident occurred about 6.30, near the junction of Pleasant and Prospect streets. Mr. Woodbury said he was turning into Prospect from Pleasant street when Mrs. Hooper appeared in front of the automobile and was knocked down, the machine passing over her.

He and others carried the woman, unconscious, into the home of Miss Ella Proctor on Prospect street. Drs. Egan, Choate and Medical Examiner Finnigan were summoned. She died a few minutes after being taken into the house. Some bruises about the head were the only visible evidences of injury.

Mrs. Hooper lived at 11 Middle street. She leaves three sons, George and Sylvan of this city and Nathaniel, who is in the lighthouse service.

Mr. Woodbury came to the police station and gave himself up. He was booked on charge of manslaughter, bonds being fixed at $500. His brother-in-law, ex-Mayor Patch, furnished surety.

RUSSIANS AND RUMANS ARE FALLING BACK

LONDON, Dec. 15. The British admiralty has intercepted and makes public the following telegram collected by the Wireless Press:

PETROGRAD, Dec. 15.—Russian official statement. "Rumanian front: The Russian and Rumanian troops in the region of Buzeu, under pressure from the enemy, are falling back, protected by rear guards. In consequence of this retirement the troops which occupied positions on the River Jalomitza also are retiring."

WAR VETERAN FREED OF MURDER CHARGE

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 15. No indictment was returned today by the United States grand jury in the case of Henry W. Curtisfi 74, Civil war veteran, of the Togus Soldiers' home, charged with murder of Martin Gibbonsy, 72, also a veteran of Togus, who died a few weeks ago. It was found by autopsy that he had been killed by drinking poisoned whisky and the fact that he had been killed by drinking poisoned whisky and the fact that he had entrusted $900 to Curtis led to the charge.

Indictment was returned against Geo. M. Allen of Westbrook, postmaster at Highland Lake, charged with embezzlement of $465.

Similar indictment was brought against Postmaster Wilber A. Thorne of Houghton, accused of the embezzlement of $1900. This office pays only $150 a year salary. Both men have reimbursed the government for the shortages.

Both Thorne and Allen pleaded guilty. Thorne was sentenced to 90 days in jail and to pay a fine of $500 and costs. Allen was fined $200.

KILLED AIDING FRIEND

VANCEBORO, Me., Dec. 15.—Arthur N. Coombs of Foxboro, Mass., was fatally injured yesterday while trying to aid a hunting companion who had broken through the ice of a stream. Coombs extended his rifle butt foremost toward his comrade and in the struggle to pull the man onto firm ice the weapon was discharged, the bullet entering Coombs' hip. The other man reached shore safely. Coombs died at the Bangor hospital.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

MAYOR IN FAVOR

Continued

Mr. Morse: "I think they are arbitrary."

Mr. Putnam: "If we have nothing to say about it, why didn't they do the business in the first place?"

Mr. Morse: "What's the use of our taking action if they can put it aside? I believe that the men who came here and protested are capable of doing the work."

Mr. Putnam: "Is there anything else for us to do only to heed the protest of the school board?"

Mayor O'Donnell: "As a matter of expediency and respect for the board, I think we ought to heed their request."

Mr. Morse said he voted for the best interests of the city and there was some discussion. Mayor O'Donnell said that the point at issue was to decide what was to be done with the protest and suggestions of the school committee. He said that the bids will not be in until the end of the month and it is not too late to take action.

Commissioner Duncan spoke in favor of Commissioner Donnelly's suggestion that the letter be submitted to the city solicitor. He said that the council and school committee will have to agree.

Mayor O'Donnell said that it is a minor matter and that recognition of the school board's stand would bring all forms of bids before the municipal council—local bids as well as out-of-town.

Commissioner Donnelly repeated his motion that the matter be referred to the school board and that a report be submitted at the next meeting.

Mayor O'Donnell said he is in favor of direct action at the present time, and Mr. Morse interposed by saying that the letter is "a slap at the local contractors." Mr. Morse intimated that influence has been brought to bear on school board, and Mr. Duncan gave the point of view of the school committee, which, he said, is not his own.

Commissioner Donnelly's motion was passed.

Commission of Ten

"While we are on this matter," said Mayor O'Donnell, "I would like to make a motion that the city solicitor be instructed to draft a bill which shall be presented to the legislature for the appointment of a commission of ten men to have full charge of contracts and everything else in connection with the construction and erection of the high school."

Commissioner Duncan asked about the commission that had charge of city hall and Memorial building, and the mayor said that he is not altogether set on the number, 10. He said the formation of a commission would relieve the municipal council of responsibility. He is not committed to the number 10, but he has already found 10 men acting in harmony on the high school plans, viz. the advisory board and school committee. He does not know, he said, that the 10 men mentioned would consent to serve.

The motion was passed.

Commissioner Putnam entered a motion that the fire department purchase a White chassis at a cost of $3500. Commissioner Duncan said money is needed more in other city departments and the motion was withdrawn by Commissioner Putnam.

State Highway Commission

A communication was received from the state highway commission, asking that property owners along First street through Indian Orchard, sign a release, freeing the state from responsibility in connection with the construction of the state highway.

Agreement blanks were enclosed which would bind the city of Lowell to indemnify the state for any incidental damages in the construction of the road from First street to the Dracut line.

City Engineer Kearney said that the Locks & Canals has refused to grant a release, partly because there is some doubt as to the amount of land the city owns there. The state, therefore, asks the city to assume responsibility for possible future costs.

Mr. Kearney gave a list of contract estimates. The distance is 5200 feet and the total cost is $64,000. The state is to assume costs of wearing surface and maintenance and the city and county are to stand the cost of construction from the foundation to the sub grade. The idea is to have from Reed street a boulevard like that at Princeton street. The city is to make the road and the state highway will put on surface and maintain it.

The matter was put over until the next meeting of the council.

City Engineer Kearney also reported on the many minor items of bridge repair and construction as brought in at yesterday's meeting by Engineer van Deerlin of the National Engineering corporation. These items were not in the original contract but are additional, the estimated cost being $5,862.

Com. Morse asked if there would be money enough in the appropriation and Com. Duncan said that the things specified can be done more cheaply now and by the National Engineering corporation than at any other time and by any other firm.

Commissioner Morse asked for the records in order to find out how much is left of the bridge appropriation. Clinton P. Tuttle was sent for and said that there remain $24,395.93, with the 15 per cent. held back. The appropriation was $125,000 and the original contract called for $113,210.00. There are also bills for $4400 for November. Mayor O'Donnell said that the expense for wing walls should be charged rightly against the park appropriation.

Mayor O'Donnell made a motion that the corporation be authorized to do the work as specified and it was voted unanimously.

The mayor also asked the council for their opinion on the possible sale of the land at the junction of Rogers and Nesmith streets, but no action was taken.

The meeting adjourned until Monday morning at 11 o'clock.

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$2.98, $3.98, $5.98

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Raccoon Sets...$15, $25, $35 to $50
Red Fox Sets, $19.75, $25, $42 to $60
Black Fox Sets, $20, $30, $40 to $75
Cross Fox Sets, $89, $95, $110 to $120
Hudson Seal Sets, $22.50, $35, $60 to $89.50
Mole Skin Sets, $43.75, $70 to $135

MUFFS:
Raccoon .....$10.98, $15 to $25
Beaver $18.75, $23.75, $29.75
Black Fox.....$10.98, $15 to $38.75
Black Lynx.....$25, $37.50 to $58.50
Hudson Seal....$15, $19.75 to $29.75
Mole Skin $29.75, $35, $45

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House Aprons 29c, 50c, 79c, 98c, $1.50
Heavy Coat Sweaters for Women at.....$1.00, $1.98, $2.98, $3.98, $5.00
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Splendid Raincapes in red and navy.....$1.98 and $2.98
All Wool Coat Sweaters at.....$1.98, $2.98, $3.98, $5.00
Teddy Bear Sets for little folks at.....$3.98
Pretty Dresses at $1.50, $1.98, $2.98, $3.98, $5.00, $5.98 to $15.00
Serge Middy Blouses, Serge Blouses or Serge Skirt, $1.98 to $2.50
Good warm Winter Coats, $2.98, $3.98, $5, $6.98, $8.75, $10.75, $12.75

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12-18 JOHN STREET

ALLIES TO CALL FOR TERMS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The embassies of the entente allies here today reflected the view that Germany's peace proposals will not be rejected without examination but that the allies in reply probably will call for a statement of proposed terms, so they may not be placed in position of unqualifiedly rejecting peace.

GERMANY'S REPLY ON DEPORTATIONS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Germany's reply to the American protest against deportation of Belgians arrived at the state department this morning. It is understood to contend that the United States has not been accurately informed of the purposes of the deportations which are said to be made on the ground of social necessity.

COTTON MANUFACTURED DURING NOVEMBER

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Cotton manufactured during November amounted to 584,082 running bales, compared with 514,743 a year ago and for the four months 2,227,375 bales, compared with 1,978,635 a year ago, the census bureau today announced.

Cotton on hand Nov. 30 in consuming establishments was 2,191,793 bales compared with 1,613,641 a year ago and in public storage and at compresses 4,098,928 bales compared with 4,581,929 a year ago.

Cotton spindles active during November numbered 32,753,937 compared with 31,488,722 a year ago.

Imports were 13,189 equivalent 500 pound bales compared with 23,168 a year ago and for the four months 36,434 bales compared with 79,861 last year.

Exports were 759,550 bales compared with 524,392 a year ago and for the four months 2,518,295 compared with 1,863,315 last year.

Linters, not included in the foregoing statistics used during November were 64,991 bales on hand Nov. 30, in consuming establishments, 79,846, and in public storage and at compresses 183,374. Linters included in exports 8058 bales.

LLOYD GEORGE HAS TURN FOR THE WORSE

LONDON, Dec. 14.—The condition of Premier David Lloyd George has taken a slight turn for the worse. He suffered considerably from a severe chill contracted early in the week and his physicians have ordered him to remain in bed a few days more.

Friends of the premier express the hope that he will be able to appear in the house of commons next Tuesday, as planned.

THE IMMIGRATION BILL PASSED BY SENATE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The immigration bill, containing the restrictive literacy test for admission of aliens which has caused three presidents to veto such a measure, was passed by the senate today, 61 to 7. The bill as amended in the senate now goes to conference. It passed the house last session.

The senate reconsidered the clause designed to exclude anarchists who teach destruction of property as a propaganda. An amendment by Senator Hardwick for the committee, permitting entry of persons who advocate or teach destruction of property "in war, insurrection or revolution," but not otherwise, was adopted.

Three republicans, Brandegee, Colt and Du Pont, and four democrats, Husting, Martine, Poindexter and Reed, voted against the bill. Senators Smith of South Carolina, Hardwick and Lodge were appointed on the conference committee.

Authoritative statements have been made that President Wilson intends to veto the bill a second time because of the literacy test provision.

STRUCK BY BRITISH TANKER

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 14.—The British oil tanker Telena was the ship which crashed into the Newport News & Miners liner Powhatan in lower Chesapeake bay last night.

Badly damaged about the bow, the Telena came into the shipyard here early today for repairs. So far it could be learned none of her crew was hurt.

Beached on Thimble shoals to keep her from sinking the Powhatan lay in shallow water today with a great hole ripped in her side by the Telena's bow and exploding boilers. Four officers of her crew had been injured by falling beams from the impact of the collision. All her passengers, bound from Baltimore to Boston and been safely taken off during the night by other ships.

COUNT TARNOWSKI CASE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—While it is virtually settled that no safe conduct will be issued by the entente allied governments to Count Tarnowski, the newly appointed Austrian ambassador, it is also confidently expected that he will be permitted to pass through the blockade lines, like any other civilian passenger, on the British steamship on which he will sail from Copenhagen for New York next Saturday.

MILITIA TEST CASE APPROVED BY WILSON

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—President Wilson yesterday approved the action of an army court-martial in sentencing Lewis C. Gardner of the New Mexico militia, to dishonorable discharge and a year in prison at hard labor, for failure to obey the federal call for border duty last June, but remitted the prison sentence because the case had been pressed as a test.

War department officials regard the decision as important because of the warning it gives to more than 10,000 enrolled members of the National Guard who have not appeared for federal service.

NEW HAVEN WANTS TO HOLD SHIP LINES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Oral arguments were made today before the interstate commerce commission for and against the application of the New Haven railroad to retain ownership of its Long Island sound steamships despite the provision in the Panama canal act against such ownership by a rail line.

B. L. Spock, counsel for the New Haven, argued that the Panama canal act was not designed to prevent or reduce competition between a rail and water line, but that its purpose was to prevent reduction of competition on the water route alone through such joint ownership. He said competition on the water routes controlled by the New Haven would not be reduced by a continuance of its steamship ownership. Shippers throughout New England, he said, favor approval of the application by the commission.

Larue Brown, for the department of justice, and A. J. Elder, for the commission, argued against continued New Haven ownership on the ground that the public interest does not require it and that congress meant to forbid reduction of competition between a rail carrier and a steamship line.

Counsel for New England shippers supported the contentions of the railroad.

AUTO KNOCKED TRAIN OFF TRACK

CONCORD, MASS., MAN DIED OF INJURIES RECEIVED IN COLLISION

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Dec. 14.—Frank Munro of Concord, Mass., died in a Geneva hospital today as the result of injuries received last night when a heavy touring car in which he and two other Concord men were riding crashed into a Lehigh Valley train with such force that the train left the track. James Phillips, baggageman, was injured.

CAPE COD CANAL BLOCKED

SANDWICH, Dec. 14.—The Cape Cod canal was blocked near here today by the steamer Ray Port which after floating from the place where she stranded last night, sank with her bow pointed across the passage and her stern resting on the bank. Several vessels waited at either end of the canal to go through, while others made the trip around Cape Cod. Wreckers are at work on the steamer which is laden with coal from Norfolk for Boston.

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From Yesterday's Late Edition

LOWELL MAN BUYS BIG STORE IN WORCESTER

Ira H. Morse, Lowell, owner of a chain of six shoe stores in New England, including the 20th Century store of this city, and William J. Flannagan, manager of the Clark-Sawyer Co., 480 Main street, Worcester, yesterday bought the business of the Clark-Sawyer Co., one of the oldest and best known stores in Worcester, secured a lease of the Taylor building in which the store is located, and will conduct it as a general department store along modern lines. The legal end of the transaction was conducted by Atty. J. Stuart Murphy of Lowell.

The old store name, which has been a byword in Worcester more than half a century, is to disappear with the change of ownership, and after the Christmas holidays and before the first of the year a corporation will be organized under the laws of Massachusetts to carry on the business. When this is accomplished, Clark-Sawyer Co. will cease to exist and the I. H. Morse Co., will take its place in the ranks of Worcester busy commercial life.

Negotiations for the transfer of the business have been pending several days and were only closed yesterday afternoon, when the final papers were passed, the purchase money paid over, and possession given the new owners. They were in charge last night, and immediately got busy to prepare the store for the Christmas holiday sales.

They sent a number of buyers to New York for neck stock, and are planning to have it on the counters Monday morning.

The new owners bought the merchandise in the store, inventoried at cost, for $51,394.96, Saturday, from Clarence A. Evans, vice president of the Merchants National bank, and the fixtures, inventoried at $7500, from Attorney Maurice L. Katz.

Mr. Morse is no stranger in Worcester, he having owned the shoe department in the Clark-Sawyer Co. store in that city since there was a change in ownership in May, 1915. It is one of the chain of six in New England, the others being in this city, Lawrence, two in New Bedford and Manchester, N. H.

DEATHS

GOYETTE—Germaine, aged 5 days, died last night at the home of the parents, Albert and Rosanna Goyette, 110 Powell street. Burial took place this afternoon at 4 o'clock in St. Patrick's cemetery under the direction of Undertakers Amedee Archambault & Son.

PUJO—Katrina, aged 6 months, died last night at the home of the parents, Dominick and Cecylia Pujo, 1832 Lakeview avenue. Funeral took place this afternoon at 3 o'clock with services at the Holy Trinity church. Burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery under the direction of Undertakers Amedee Archambault & Son.

FONTAINE—Joseph, aged 2 years and 6 months, died last night at the home of the parents, John and Engemie Fontaine, 113 Railroad street. Burial took place this afternoon at 1 o'clock in St. Joseph's cemetery under the direction of Undertakers Joseph Albert & Son.

RICHARD—Joseph Richard, aged 70 years, died today at Tewksbury. Deceased leaves his wife. The body was removed to the funeral parlors of Undertakers Joseph Albert & Son in Aiken street.

GALLAGHER—Mrs. Elizabeth J. Gallagher, a well known and highly respected resident of St. Peter's parish, died today at her late home, 665 Central street. She leaves to mourn her loss a husband, Patrick Gallagher, and two sisters, Mrs. John A. McKenna and Miss Katherine F. Slattery; two brothers, Charles D. Slattery and Augustus P. Slattery, and nine children, Charles E., Alice, Elizabeth, Paul, Thomas, Mary, Frederick, Joseph and Katherine. The remains were removed to the home of her sister, Miss Katherine F. Slattery, 445 High street, by Undertakers Higgins Bros.

FUNERALS

RACHO—The funeral of Marie S. Racho took place this morning from her home, 130 Aiken street. High mass of requiem was celebrated at St. Anthony's church at 9 o'clock by Rev. F. M. Fernandes. Burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery, where the committal prayers were read by Rev. Fr. Fernandes. Funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertakers Amedee Archambault & Son.

FUNERAL NOTICE

GALLAGHER—The funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth J. Gallagher will take place Saturday morning at 8 o'clock from the home of her sister, Miss Catherine F. Slattery, 445 High st. A funeral high mass will be celebrated at St. Peter's church at 9 o'clock. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge of Undertakers Higgins Bros.

MARY GREELEY MISSING

Mary Greeley, aged 28 years, a waitress, has been missing from her home, 500 Gorham street, for five weeks. Her mother called at the police station this afternoon and solicited the aid of the police in trying to locate her. The missing woman is five feet, two inches in height and weights about 105 pounds, has black curly hair and when last seen was attired in a black coat, red hat and plaid skirt.

APPLETON MILLS PAY DIVIDEND OTHER NOTES

The Appleton Co., of this city, will pay a regular semi-annual dividend of five per cent tomorrow. The company has been on a ten per cent basis since 1911, and in the ten preceding years paid dividends which averaged 8 1-2 per cent. The company is equipped with some 3100 looms and 97,000 spindles for the manufacture of shirting, flannelettes, ginghams and dress goods. The regular annual meeting of the company will be held tomorrow and it is expected that the financial statement which will be issued at the meeting, will show that during the present year the company has considerably bettered its uniformly good record.

Well Known Here

Charles Miller Stevens who died recently at Battle Creek, Mich., was for several years superintendent of the Merrimack Woolen Co., in Dracut and also held a similar position in Woodstock, Vt. He was the son of William H. Stevens, of Portland, Me., and graduated from the Portland high school in 1889. Mr. Stevens was favorably known in Lowell and his many acquaintances will be grieved to learn of his death. He is survived by his wife, two children and his parents.

Personal Items

Peter Oliver, formerly overseer of the duck and bag weaving department for the Boott mills and more recently with the Tremont & Suffolk mills as second hand in the weaving department, has taken a position as night overseer of weaving for the Jenckes Manufacturing company, Pawtucket, R. I.

Guy Murchie, Leo H. Leary and Philip W. Jacobs have been appointed trustees for the Merrimack Woolen company, of Dracut, which for some time has been in the hands of receivers.

William Grindrod, formerly second hand with the Quinnick-Windham Manufacturing company, of Willimantic, Conn., has accepted a similar position in the weaving department of the Massachusetts cotton mills of this city.

NAMES WERE OMITTED

In the list of floral offerings at the funeral of Mrs. Catherine Hall, published in yesterday's issue of The Sun, the following names were inadvertently omitted: Miss Catherine Bowan and Miss Norah Ryan.

NATIONAL PROHIBITION AMENDMENT

ORDERED FAVORABLY REPORTED TO HOUSE BY JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The proposed national prohibition amendment was today ordered favorably reported to the house by the judiciary committee by a vote of 12 to 4. The proposed universal suffrage amendment was ordered reported without recommendation.

The vote on the suffrage proposal was 11 to 8. The resolution by Representative Raker would submit the several Susan B. Anthony amendments to the states.

The reporting of the suffrage proposal was due to the belief of some of its opponents that it can be beaten on the floor, and they thought it best to settle the issue by bringing it to a direct vote in the house.

The proposed prohibition amendment drawn by Chairman Webb follows:

"Section 1. That the sale, manufacture for sale, transportation for sale and importation for sale of intoxicating liquors for beverage purposes in the United States and all territory subject to the jurisdiction thereof and exportation thereof, are forever prohibited.

"Section 2. That the congress and the states shall have power independently or concurrently to enforce this article by all needful legislation."

The suffrage resolution follows:

"Section 1. The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any state on account of sex.

"Section 2. Congress shall have power, by appropriate legislation, to enforce the provisions of this article."

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" columns.

COLLEGE STUDENTS GO OUT ON STRIKE

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Declaring that they are overworked, the senior class of the Pulitzer School of Journalism at Columbia university is on strike. The embryo newspapermen maintain that during the past few weeks they have been asked to do an excessive amount of study and when the director ordered examination tests on two successive days last week they rebelled.

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SECOND FLOOR

JUDGE CORRIGAN GIVEN VERDICT OF $35,000

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—A verdict of $35,000 was given by a jury here today for Police Magistrate Joseph E. Corrigan in his suit against the Bobbs-Merrill Co., of Indianapolis, publishers of George Bronson Howard's novel, "God's Man," in which he alleged he was libelled. He sued for $200,000 damages. Corrigan charged that one of the chief characters in the novel was intended to represent him and that it contained matter defamatory to him.

THE FRENCH-AMERICAN VOLUNTEER BRIGADE

The biennial convention of the French-American Volunteer brigade of the United States will be held next February and the members of the organization are now making arrangements for the event, which is always an important one in semi-military circles. The exact date and place where the convention will be held have not yet been set by the general officers of the brigade, but it is understood that the board will meet within a short time at the United States hotel in Boston and select a date and city for the meetings.

The last convention was held in this city in February, 1915, and lasted three days, during which time several hundred "soldiers" in uniform remained in Lowell. This year there was no convention, but the biennial encampment was held in Fall River, Sept. 2, 3 and 4, and proved a big success. It is probable that the next convention will be held in Marlboro, for the members of the brigade, who reside in that city have often demanded that a convention be conducted in their city, but it is up to the board of officers to decide.

The Lowell companies affiliated with the brigade are as follows: Garde Frontenac, Albert Bergeron, captain; Garde d'Honneur, Nelson Phillips, captain; Garde Sacre-Coeur, Alfred Renaud, captain; Garde St. Louis, Arsene Guy, captain, and the A. G. Cadets, Alcide Bellefeuille, major.

The civil officers of the brigade are as follows: Rt. Rev. Bishop G. A. Guertin, D.D., Manchester, N. H., honorary chaplain; Rev. J. B. A. Barette, O.M.I., Lowell, chaplain; William H. Wellen, Marlboro, honorary president; Rodolphe Boucher, Manchester, N. H., president; L. Joseph Rioux, Fall River, vice president; Andre A. Cote, Fitchburg, secretary; Albert Bergeron, Lowell, treasurer; Albert B. Hamel, Manchester, N. H., Joseph Girard, Central Falls, R. I., and J. Ademar Letendre, Manchester, N. H., auditors; Horace Desilets, Lowell, master of ceremonies; Leon Michel, Plattsburg, N. Y., sentinel.

Among the Lowell members who hold military office in the brigade are the following: Joseph L. Lamoureux, inspector general; Horace Desilets, inspector major; Samuel Renaud, quarter master major; Adelard Dube, ordnance officer; Albert Bergeron, colonel, Second regiment; Emile Bordeleau, adjutant, Second regiment.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The magnates of the National league who have been in annual session here since Tuesday, resumed deliberations today with indications of final adjournment some time tomorrow.

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 14.—The Italian steamer Algier, formerly a German vessel, which was reported adrift and in distress off Chebucto Head yesterday, arrived here today.

BERLIN, Dec. 14, by wireless to Sayville.—After a violent artillery bombardment, French troops attempted an advance in the Argonne yesterday. They were repulsed by the Germans, the war office announces.

OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 14.—Canada's attitude toward the German peace proposal is indicated in a message sent by Sir George Foster, acting premier of the dominion, to Premier Lloyd George, as follows:

"Canada stands with you and the empire for vigorous prosecution of the war until complete victory is attained."

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Public hearings on President Wilson's recommendations for railroad legislation, to begin Jan. 2 next, were determined upon today by the senate interstate commerce committee.

LONDON, Dec. 14.—The house of lords refused the appeal in the Slingsby legitimacy case today, without calling upon the respondents.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The Phelps-Dodge Co., copper producers, today declared an extra dividend of $10 a share. Three months ago an extra dividend of $5.50 a share was declared.

BERLIN, Dec. 14, by wireless to Sayville.—Bulgarian troops on the Macedonian front have repulsed another attempted advance by the Serbians, the war office announced today.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Rodman Wanamaker's steam yacht, the Nirvana, was almost totally destroyed by fire early today in her winter berth at Bath beach.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—War risk marine insurance is now up to 15 per cent for Mediterranean shipments and from 8 to 10 per cent for trans-Atlantic cargoes with rates based on total valuation of ship and cargo and not on the latter only as heretofore.

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—Members of the commission which are investigating the high cost of living in this state and in Rhode Island compared notes at a conference here today and agreed upon a plan of co-operation.

GREENWICH, Conn., Dec. 14.—Chas. B. Snyder, a former newspaper owner in Pennsylvania and more recently up to two years ago business manager of the Graphic here, died today at the age of 65.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Senator William Saulsbury, democrat, of Delaware, was elected president pro tem of the senate today, receiving 41 votes to 22 for Senator Gallinger, republican, and five for Senator Clapp of Minnesota, the candidate of the progressive republicans.

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—George W. Anderson, United States district attorney at Boston, and in charge of the government's food investigation, arrived here today.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Congress will recess over the Christmas holidays from Dec. 22 to Jan. 2, Democratic Leader Kitchin announced today.

LONDON, Dec. 14.—Lloyds announces that the British steamer St. Ursula has been sunk.

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—The first real winter weather of the season descended on Chicago today, the mercury standing at four degrees above zero. Recent snows remained on the ground.

TOKIO, Dec. 14.—Officials of the Japanese foreign office said today that they do not take the German peace proposals seriously. They expressed belief that the entente allies would have to fight to the end.

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—Mrs. Genevieve Gilmore was granted a divorce from James A. Gilmore, president of the defunct Federal baseball league on Nov. 8, in the superior court here, it was learned today.

PARIS, Dec. 14.—According to Libson newspapers the formation of a Portuguese coalition cabinet is again being considered.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The president and Mrs. Wilson went Christmas shopping together today.

PARIS, Dec. 14.—Jean Marius Antonin Mercie, sculptor and painter is dead. He was born in 1845 at Toulouse. M. Mercie was a grand officer in the Legion of Honor, a member of the French Institute and a professor at the school of art.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Dr. Clarence True Wilson, general secretary of the board of temperance of the Methodist Episcopal church, announced today before filling an appointment with President Wilson, that he would seek the president's support for the bill to bar liquor advertising from the mails.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Dec. 14.—The Crane Valve Co., with factories here and in Chicago, will distribute Christmas bonuses equal to 10 per cent of the earnings of all employes, it was announced today. A quarter of a million dollars will be distributed among the 2600 employes in Bridgeport.

LONDON, Dec. 14.—Lloyds shipping agency announces that the French bark Emma Laurens has been sunk. The crew was saved. A Reuter's despatch from Christiania reports the sinking of the Norwegian steamer Bjor, by a torpedo. The crew was landed.

OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 14.—Canadian war casualties published today include J. Dampiouse, Lawrence, Mass., Canadian infantry, "missing, believed killed."

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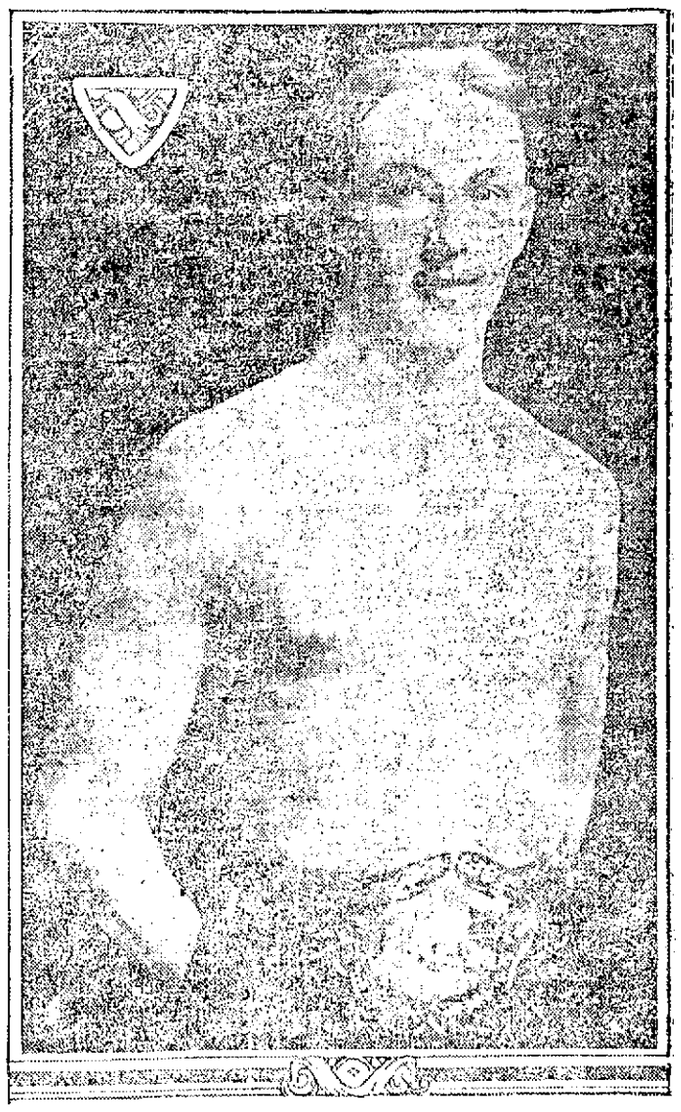

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—Joe Stecher, the champion heavyweight wrestler, who hails from Dodge City, Neb., has mapped out a strenuous schedule for himself this season. Josephus plans to meet every mat artist of note in this country before next summer. He also plans to invade every large city in search of some new wonders to meet. As a starter he took on Charley Cutler here and defeated him in jig time. Stecher is also anxious to meet Strangler Lewis in a finish bout in Omaha. As both men are willing it is more than likely that the pair will meet in the near future.

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TRAINS TO AND FROM BOSTON

Southern Div. To Boston Lve.	Arr.	From Boston Lve.	Arr.	Portland Div. To Boston Lve.	Arr.	From Boston Lve.	Arr.
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6.47	7.37	z6.35	8.17	9.40	10.53	11.50	13.55
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6.57	8.07	7.45	8.31	12.05	1.13	5.14	6.12
7.21	8.05	nb8.21	9.21	3.42	4.41	6.03	7.05
s7.28	8.41	8.45	9.45	5.14	6.44	6.40	7.57
7.56	8.37	9.00	9.39	7.07	8.15	9.49	11.14
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8.15	8.57	10.30	11.37				
9.45	10.31	11.40	12.30				

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Southern Division

6.47	7.30	8.45	9.47
7.21	8.06	9.30	10.09
8.25	9.31	11.30	12.09
9.14	10.06	1.00	1.59
10.20	11.17	5.30	6.21
2.52	3.35	7.15	8.20
5.10	6.00	8.00	8.28
6.28	7.10	8.30	9.08
8.15	8.57	9.20	10.15
8.45	9.53	10.29	11.35
9.45	10.40		

Portland Division

8.20	9.30	8.00	9.18
12.07	1.16	12.00	1.00
3.50	5.06	3.30	4.45
6.45	7.00	5.20	6.28
8.55	10.04	8.45	9.47

KEY TO FIRE ALARM BOXES

1 All box numbers commencing with the figure one, as 12, 13, etc., up to 131 are located within a radius of about one-half mile from the North common, extending from Dutton street north to Pawtucket street and from School street east to Merrimack mills.

2 All box numbers commencing with two as 21, 23, etc., are located in the business area about one-quarter mile radius from the post office, extending from Boott mills to South common and from Dutton street to Concord river.

3 All box numbers commencing with three, are located in the lower Highlands, extending from the depot to Wilder street and from Hale street along the line of Western avenue and Pawtucket canal to Pawtucket street.

4 All box numbers commencing with four, are located in the Ayer's City and Bleachery districts, extending from Edson cemetery northerly to Hale street and from Chelmsford street easterly to Concord river.

5 All numbers commencing with five, are located in the upper Highlands and Middlesex Village.

6 All numbers commencing with six, are located in Centralville.

7 All numbers commencing with seven, are located in Pawtucketville.

8 All numbers commencing with eight, are located in Belvidere.

CONFIDENCE IN FUTURE OF TROTTER

Not for many years has there been such a demand for breeding stock as was shown at the New York sale. Breeders of light harness horses are naturally well pleased with the demand for really high-class animals for breeding stock which was shown. Brood mares, in particular, were in demand, and brought prices that have not been in evidence for a number of years.

This shows that there is a lot of confidence in the future of the trotting horse.

There has always been keen rivalry among racing men to get the best prospects in sight for the big stakes on the Grand Circuit and also plenty of competition when a youngster that looked like a real futurity prospect was led into the ring, but the competition for stallions and mares that appealed to the breeders who are abreast of the times, seen at the New York sale shows that there is a whole lot of confidence in the future of the breeding of light harness horses and that the cry, whenever one of the old time breeding establishments passes, that "the horse is going to the wall," is all nonsense

Two of the largest breeding establishments in the east, Allen farm and Hudson River Stock farm, threw on the market a big lot of breeding stock as a result of the death of owners, but, contrary to the prediction of the pessimists, there were plenty of breeders ready to pay good prices for the really desirable stallions and mares that were offered. The cream of the matrons from both of these farms will go into the stud at other stock farms, where they will doubtless gain new honors.

Ready to Take Chance

But the best of all was the way that the youngsters at the sale brought out the pocket books and fountain pens of those who attended the sale. It has been said that horsemen will no longer buy a pig in a bag, but the way that they went after the get of the champion stallion, The Harvester, 2:01, shows that there's a whole lot of men interested in the racing game who are willing to take a chance.

Of course the yearlings consigned to the sale from Mr. C. K. G. Billings' Curles Neck Farm were bred in the purple and naturally would attract attention, but they were led in front of the auctioneer's box and the purchasers had no other line on them than that furnished by their breeding and conformation.

They were pronounced to be a splendid looking lot of youngsters, but the fact that the 29 yearlings by The Harvester, 2.01, disposed of at the sale brought an average of over $700 is ample evidence that the future of the light harness racing game is largely dependent upon the interest in colt racing that has largely increased in the past few years.

The only feature of the sales this fall that, to some, may look like a chance for a hard luck story is the prices received for record horses. There was a time when a fast record trotter or pacer would bring good money on his mark alone, but that has gone by.

Looks Up "Dope" On Horses

The would-be purchaser, instead of being impressed by the animal's record, looks up the dope and, if he finds that the horse has cost its former owner quite a bit of money for a season or so, fights shy of it. The matinees, or amateur racing fields, were expected to furnish a graceful retirement for this class of horses but, somehow, they always run up against something fresh from the pastures that can beat them at that game

The 19 record yearlings by J. Malcolm Forbes, 2.08, consigned to the New York sale by J. R. Magowan, Mt. Sterling, Ky., sold for a total of $12,250, or at an average of $1225. The top price was paid for the bay colt Dr. Elmore, 2.24½, out of Medusa Worthy, 2.17¾, by Axworthy, 2.15½, for which Richard Delafield, proprietor of Brook Farm, Chester, N. Y., paid $4100. A lot of the Kentucky owners and trainers have been criticized for forcing the training of their youngsters, particularly yearlings, but Mr. Magowan, who has brought the product of his stallion J. Malcolm Forbes into the public eye by this means, has nothing to complain of from the prices paid for the record youngsters which he consigned to the sale.

One of the purchases made by W. J. McDonald at the Old Glory sale, a three-year-old daughter of Bingara, out of a daughter of Baron Wilkes, 2.18, died a few days after her arrival at the Charles River stables. She was not the highest priced one among Mr. McDonald's purchases, but looked to be one of the real bargains of the sale.

KYRONEN, CROWNED THE CROSS COUNTRY KING OF THE SEASON

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Viller Kyronen, a tow-headed little Finn, was crowned America's cross country king recently.

Through a blinding rain that cut to the bone, in mud which in places was ankle deep and was at all times treacherous, slippery footing, Kyronen raced to a decisive, clean cut victory and made, despite the terrible conditions, a record for the senior national cross country championship race of the Amateur Athletic union at Van Cortland park recently.

Hannes Kolehmainen, the flying Finn, hero of the 1912 Olympic games, was second to Kyronen, and Johnny Overton of Yale, intercollegiate cross country champion, was third. Kyronen won by a margin of 75 yards, while Overton was fully twice that distance behind Kolehmainen. George Holden of the Yonkers Y.M.C.A. was fourth and Mike Devaney of the Melrose Athletic association fifth.

Kyronen, the victor, covered the course in 32 minutes 46 seconds, and his time will stand as a record for the event. The old mark for the course was 32 minutes 57 seconds, made by Gaston Strobino of the New York Athletic club, in winning the junior national championship title a year ago. Strobino raced over frozen ground under conditions that were almost ideal. Photo shows Kyronen finishing the run.

Kyronen is well known in Lowell, where he has appeared in races on several occasions.

FRANCE MAKES NIVELLE COMMANDER IN CHIEF

General Robert George Nivelle, who succeeded General Petain to the command of the Verdun terrain in May and recaptured Douaumont and Vaux in October, has been made commander in chief of the French armies in the north and northeast of France, succeeding Joffre, who becomes a member of the war council in Paris.

GEN. NIVELLE

General Nivelle is half English, his mother having been a Miss Sparrow of Deal. He is sixty years of age and comes from Tulle, in the department of Correze. In August, 1914, he was a colonel in command of the Fifth regiment of artillery, expecting soon to be retired. Joffre brought him forward, and in October he was made general of brigade and a few weeks later placed in command of the Sixty-first Infantry division. On Dec. 23, 1915, he became a general and was appointed to command the Third army corps.

SAYS MAJORITY OF OUR PEOPLE ARE HONEST

HONESTY NOT ONLY BEST POLICY BUT THE AMERICAN POLICY, SAYS MOFFETT

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The amount of honesty in the world is overwhelmingly greater than the amount of dishonesty, Cleveland Moffett says he has established beyond question also that honesty is not only the best policy but the American policy.

To prove his contention, Mr. Moffett applied the acid test for McClure's Magazine, and the result is discussed in the January number of the periodical.

Applying the Test

To each of the 50 men and women a $1 bill was sent. From the text of the leter which accompanied the money, it was evident that the bill had been intended for 'The Novelty Supply Company, No. 153 East Fifty-sixth street" (an imaginary concern which Mr. Moffett had located at his own address) and had been inclosed in the wrong envelope.

Nothing remained, therefore, for the honest man or woman to do save to put the $1 bill in another envelope and mail it back to the Novelty Supply Company—in other words, to Mr. Moffett.

Women Lead in Honesty

Of the 50 women to whom the money was sent, 33 were honest and returned the money. Of the 50 men, 31 were honest and returned the money. So the proportion of dishonest men according to Mr. Moffett's test, is 19 in 50, while the ratio of dishonest women is but 17.

"Taking the 50 women by groups," Mr. Moffett said, "of five wives of prosperous citizens, three sent back the dollar. Of five actresses, three sent it back. Of five stenographers, three sent it back. Of 5 trained nurses, three sent it back. Of five teachers, four sent it back. Of the five successful business women, five sent it back. Of five miscellaneous women, three sent it back. Of five working girls, three sent it back. Of five doctors, three sent it back. Of five lawyers, three sent it back.

How the Men Stood

"Taking the 50 men by groups I found that of the five successful business men three returned the dollar. Of five rich men, four returned it. Of five lawyers, four returned it. Of five saloon keepers, one returned it. Of five plumbers, three returned it. Of five New York alderman, three returned it. Of five newspaper men, four returned it. Of five actors, four returned it. Of five doctors, two returned it. Of five New York policemen, three returned it.

LYNCH ELECTED

WORCESTER, Dec. 15.—Raymond F. Lynch, '18, South Hadley Falls, was yesterday unanimously re-elected captain of the Holy Cross football team for next season. Lynch has played a brilliant game at guard on the Purple varsity for the past three years and captained the eleven this season, although only a junior, being named to the place after Mark Devlin, captain-elect, had left college.

MATRIMONIAL

Loring—Meek

Miss Marion P. Meek, formerly of Lowell, was married to Herbert L. Loring, of Auburn, Me., at the home of her sister, Mrs. Herbert Lang Parker, 474 Main street, Lewiston, Me., on Saturday evening. The ceremony was performed at 7 o'clock, Rev. Arthur T. Stray of St. Michael's Episcopal church, Auburn, of which the bride is a member, officiating.

HELP WANTED

FIXER AND WEAVERS wanted for night work. Apply Milford Mfg. Co., Milford, N. H.

KITCHEN GIRL wanted, good and steady. Come ready for work tonight. Apply 67 Kirk street.

THOUSANDS MEN—WOMEN wanted. $100 month. Government jobs. Vacancies constantly. Write immediately for list positions obtainable. Franklin Institute, Dept. 174 A, Rochester, N. Y.

ALL ROUND MACHINISTS with at least four years' experience, wanted, good pay. Middlesex Service Bureau, 398 Middlesex st.

EXPERIENCED GIRL wanted for general housework. Apply 279 Nesmith st.

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STEAM HEATED ROOM to let in private family in Highlands, near car lines; home privileges; gentleman preferred. E 43, Sun office.

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HEATED ROOM to let, pleasant. Gentleman preferred. 94 Butterfield st

LARGE CORNER STORE to let, at 602 Middlesex st.; rent reasonable. Apply by phone 5148.

OFFICE—Large office, 34 by 14 feet on the second floor of the Harrington building, 52 Central st., good light and ventilation, for rent. Will be partitioned off to suit a desirable tenant and will be rented or leased at a very reasonable rent. Apply to Building Manager, 401 Sun bldg.

LEGAL NOTICES

MORTGAGEE'S SALE

By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by Jacob Krikorian, of Lowell in the County of Middlesex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to John S. Brodie, of said Lowell, dated January 23, 1915, and recorded in the Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds, Book 533, Page 280, will be sold at public auction upon the premises on Saturday, the twenty-third day of December, 1916, at two o'clock in the afternoon, all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed, namely: A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon, containing ten thousand four hundred fifty-five (10,455) square feet, more or less, situated on the southerly side of Tyler Street and the westerly side of Lawrence Street in said Lowell, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the northeasterly corner of the granted premises at the intersection of said streets; thence running southerly on said Lawrence Street one hundred two and one half (102½) feet to land now or formerly of E. B. Patch; thence running westerly at a right angle on said Patch land one hundred two (102) feet to land now or formerly of Horace J. Adams; thence running northerly on said Adams land one hundred two and one half (102½) feet to said Tyler street; thence running easterly on said Tyler Street one hundred two (102) feet to the point of beginning. Said premises will be conveyed subject to the condition or restriction so far as the same is now in force, that no building shall be erected on the same within eight (8) feet of said Tyler Street, as provided in earlier deeds. Being the same premises conveyed to said Jacob Krikorian by said John S. Brodie and Alvira Brodie by their deed dated January 23, 1915, and recorded in said Registry of Deeds, Book 533, Page 278. Said premises will be conveyed subject to all unpaid taxes or any other assessments if any there be.

Frederic S. Harvey,
Assignee of said mortgage.

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts.—Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of Cyrus G. Hatch, late of Lowell, in said County, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by Harold A. Varnum, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-seventh day of December, A. D., 1916, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing postpaid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this eleventh day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

F. M. ESTY, Register.

d 15-18-26

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

TO SETTLE ESTATE—A fine cottage house and barn, large lot of land for sale. House has bath and cemented cellar, located near Sacred Heart church. The place can be purchased at a low price and on easy terms if desired. Write E 42, Sun office.

COTTAGE for sale, two and one-half stories, 8 fine rooms, only 3 minutes' walk to Davis square; price and terms to suit buyer. Inquire of M. Quealy, 41 Royal st. Tel. 2958-W.

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YOUNG MAN wants position to drive car for grocery store or other work. Call 436 Market st.

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LOST AND FOUND

FOUND—The best place in the city to purchase your greenery and cut flowers, wreaths and everything in decorating for Christmas is at McManmon's, Florist, at 6 Prescott st. We make a specialty of Christmas trees. Call and select what you want.

FOR SALE

JERSEY HEIFER for sale, 3 years old. Apply to Dennis Meagher, East Chelmsford, or St. Patrick's cemetery.

THREE COWS FOR SALE. Inquire of Dennis Meagher, East Chelmsford, or St. Patrick's cemetery.

UPRIGHT PIANO for sale, fine condition, cheap for cash. 388 Fletcher st.

PARTY GOWN for sale, crepe de chine, size 36. Write E41, this office.

FAST ROADSTER in good condition, for sale; price $125. Address L18, Sun Office.

ROLLER CANARIES for sale, males and females, choice birds, reasonable price. Call rear of 110 Congress st.

PIANO bargain, upright, chair, $75; easy terms. Write S 49, Sun Office.

SPECIAL NOTICES

DIAMOND RINGS, $10 up; diamond pendants, $3 up; Waltham, 16 size watches, $8.75 up; Waltham ladies' watches, $10.50 up, bracelet watches, solid gold, $6 up; ruby and sapphire rings, $4.50 to $7.50. High rent makes high prices. My rent is low; no clerks to pay. J. B. Collett, established 7 years, 259 Middlesex st.

TEACHER thoroughly competent, several years experience in public work, will instruct persons of neglected education privately in all branches of English language, mathematics, bookkeeping, civil service and textile work. Apply Teacher, 538 Westford st. Tel. 1663-M.

PEOPLE troubled with poor circulation and rheumatism, try vibratory massage and medicated baths. Madame May, 124 Appleton street.

MRS. H. LEVESQUE, dressmaker, formerly at 59 Howard street, is now at 91 Butterfield street.

ROOMS PAPERED, $2.00. We will paper your room with up-to-date wall paper for $2.00. Also painting, glazing, whitewashing, etc. H. J. McCarthy, 529-541 Broadway.

WANTED

TENANTS wanted for Post 120, G. A.R. hall, 202 Merrimack st., second and fourth Monday evenings, second and fourth Tuesdays, first and third Wednesdays and every Friday evening. Inquire of janitor, or C. H. Flanders, trustee, at the hall.

FINE WASHINGS wanted, for waitresses and working women, prices reasonable. 23 Fourth st., Centralville, side door.

MARBLE SLAB wanted, 36 to 48 inches wide and 4 to 6 feet long; also butter chest and 3 to 5 gallon coffee urn. Tel. 1334.

HOME wanted for upright piano, must be placed at once; might consider selling later if satisfactory arrangements can be made. Address 255, Sun Office.

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HUNTING SEASON ENDS; 12 LIVES LOST IN MAINE

AUGUSTA, Me., Dec. 15—Twelve persons lost their lives while hunting in the woods of Maine during the big game season, which began on Nov. 1 and closes an hour after sunset tonight, according to an official statement issued today at the state fish and game department. In addition it is known that ten lives were lost before the season opened. Of the fatal accidents during the season four victims were mistaken for deer and one for a bear, three were shot accidentally by companions, three shot themselves and one became lost and died from exposure.

FIRST UNIVERSALIST CHURCH

The annual parish dinner held last evening in the vestry of the First Universalist church proved a very delightful affair. There was a large attendance and the program offered was particularly pleasing.

Supper was served at 6.30 o'clock by the following committee of women of the church: Mrs. Wm. F. Lane, chairman; Mrs. Strout, Mrs. Charles Weston, Mrs. Harry Thompson, Mrs. Emery Blodgett, Mrs. Isaac Wotton, Mrs. D. Swann, Mrs. Lucy Atwood, Mrs. Alexander, Mrs. Walter Miller, Mrs. John Mills, Mrs. Fred Whitney, Mrs. Alice Batchelder, Mrs. Clements, Mrs. Dahlstrom, Mrs. Ekengren, Mrs. McLeod, Mrs. E. A. Bartlett and Mrs. George Brothers.

During the supper hour Gray's Banjo-Mandolin orchestra furnished an excellent program of numbers, and later in the evening the church choir pleased the audience with the following numbers: "Song of Greeting," by Wooller; "A Message to Phyllis," by Wareing; "Bella Napoli," by Boscovitz; "In the Merry Month of May," by Merchant. Mrs. Helen C. Taylor was the accompanist.

Dr. William B. Jones was the toastmaster of the evening, and those who spoke, besides the pastor, Rev. C. E. Fisher, were Rev. W. H. Morrison, D.D., of Nashua, N. H., Rev. N. W. Matthews, Rev. A. R. Mussey, Rev. J. M. Craig and Rev. A. C. Ferrin.

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REPORT CITY OF PUEBLA, MEX., CAPTURED

EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 15.—Rebel troops under the command of Jose Ysabel Robles were reported here today by a local representative of the Robles faction to have captured the city of Puebla, southeast of Mexico City on Dec. 10, after six days of fighting. Gen. Cesario Castro, the Carranza leader, was driven from the city and the important neighboring railway junction of Esperanza also fell, according to the same authority.

Robles was a former Villa chief, who surrendered to the Carranza authorities, receiving a command. Some months ago he deserted and started a revolution of his own. He has since been operating in the states of Oaxaca and Puebla.

TO GRANT DEMANDS OF THE STRIKERS

AMERICAN CLOTHING MANUFACTURERS' ASSOCIATION TO GRANT INCREASE IN WAGES

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The American Clothing Manufacturers' association, representing most of the manufacturers whose workers are on strike announced today that on next Monday they will grant an increase in wages demanded by the strikers. The manufacturers, however, refused to reduce the working time from 50 hours a week to 48, the other demand presented by the strikers. Officers of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America state that many manufacturers have made individual agreements and that nearly half of the original strikers have resumed work under the new conditions.

URGES BUILDING OF HOME FOR WORKERS

DR. NOLAN SAYS THIS PLAN MUST BE FOLLOWED TO ELIMINATE CRIME AND VICE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Building of homes for industrial workers on a large scale was advocated by speakers today before the American Civic association. "Real estate speculation with its enormous profits and exploitation risks must give way to home-building backed with adequate capital and economical factory methods," said Dr. John Nolan of Cambridge, Mass., "if the American city of the future is to house its industrial population under circumstances which will eliminate tendencies toward vice, crime and degeneracy."

IN BOSTON

The Sun is on sale every day at both news stands of the Union station in Boston. Don't forget this when taking your train for Lowell.

61 OF CREW OF U. S. TRANSPORT LANDED

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The United States army transport Kilpatrick arrived here today with 61 members of the crew of the transport Sumner, still hard aground off Barnegat, N. J. Some of the officers and seamen of the Sumner remained at their posts and unusually high tides are awaited to assist the vessels standing by to drag the transport into deeper water.

The Kilpatrick came north from Newport News to take the Sumner's place on the route from New York to the canal zone and stopped at the former's position yesterday to take off those of the crew ordered ashore. The passengers had been rescued previously.

$4,000,000 APARTMENT BLOCK FOR NEW YORK

STRUCTURE THIRTEEN STORIES HIGH COVERING A CITY BLOCK TO BE ERECTED THERE

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Plans for New York's largest apartment house, a structure 13 stories high, covering the city block bounded by Lexington and Park avenue and 48th and 49th streets, were announced here today. The building will cost $4,000,000 and the project, including a long lease of the site, will involve an expenditure of more than $8,000,000.

Wall's orchestra, Hibernian hall.

LECTURE ON LABRADOR

The Men's club of the Grace Universalist church held a meeting last evening with John Bisbee, who was formerly associated with Dr. Wilfred Grenfell in his medical missionary work in Labrador, as the principal speaker. His talk was illustrated by many lantern slides, and these, added to the speaker's works, gave a vivid picture of conditions in barren, neglected Labrador. George H. Runels, president of the club, presided, and after the speaking luncheon was served.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column

NO CHANGE IN POLICY OF SWITZERLAND

LOYAL AND STRICT NEUTRALITY TOWARD ALL THE BELLIGERENTS

PARIS, Dec. 15.—Edmund Schulthess, the new president of Switzerland, in an interview with the Berne correspondent of the Petit Journal, affirms the intention of his country to maintain strict neutrality.

"The policy of Switzerland," President Schulthess asserts, "dictated by our traditions, our desires and even by our vital interests is and will remain that of loyal and strict neutrality toward all the belligerents—a neutrality sustained by an immovable resolution to defend our integrity and independence against all comers.

"The economic position of Switzerland is very complex. She is obliged, in order to exist to work and maintain relations with both groups of belligerents. This is not done without misunderstanding, but I think I am not mistaken in saying that economic misunderstandings between Switzerland and France are on the point of completely disappearing."

GOVERNORS' CONFERENCE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—State administrative problems were discussed at the first of today's sessions of the governors' conference here.

America's duties and responsibilities after the war was the topic for the afternoon session with Gov. McCall of Massachusetts occupying the chair.

Y.W.C.A. ENTERTAINMENT

The real meaning of the Christmas spirit was brought home to about 150 young people in the Y.W.C.A. last evening where a pretty entertainment was held. Miss Helen Barnes, the president of the association, greeted the guests. As the strains of "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing" were heard from a chorus of girls led by Miss Ella Russell, the "Christmas Spirit," Miss Ruth Choate appeared and bade all celebrate the season in the true spirit of the Christ child, lighting her candle and placing it in the window to signify to passersby "The House of Friendliness."

A program followed in Kilson hall, with readings by Miss Mildred McKnight, violin solos by Miss Dorothy Farley; vocal and instrumental numbers by Miss Alice Crompton and Miss Helen Brooks. The evening's program closed with the singing of the beautiful Christmas carols so familiar to all.

UNDER-SECRETARY OF FRENCH FINANCE

ALBERT METIN, GENERAL BUDGET REPORTER OF CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES, APPOINTED

PARIS, Dec. 15.—Albert Metin, general budget reporter of the chamber of deputies and formerly minister of labor, has been appointed under-secretary of finance. M. Metin and the other under-secretaries will not attend cabinet meetings.

The government will appoint shortly a number of technical assistants drawn from the ranks of acknowledged experts. They will direct special departments of the various ministers.

James F. Smith

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ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE

ON SATURDAY, DEC. 16, AT 3 O'CLOCK P. M., ON THE PREMISES, NO. 973 CENTRAL ST., NEAR THE CORNER OF CEDAR STREET, LOWELL, MASS.

Will be sold at public auction, a valuable renting property, consisting of the three-story building containing three tenements of five rooms each, with bath; also the cottage house in rear of same, containing six rooms and bath. A first-class chance for investment.

Terms of sale—The sum of $200 to be paid auctioneer when property is struck off. Other terms at sale.

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Particulars will follow in the columns of this newspaper. Watch for our announcements.

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MERRIMACK—PALMER STS.

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C. F. KEYES, Auctioneer
Green Street, Old B. & M. Station

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16th, at 3 P. M.

SALE AT PUBLIC AUCTION OF ATTRACTIVE COTTAGE HOUSE AND HALF ACRE FINE GARDEN LAND SITUATED AT 380 RIVERSIDE STREET

In accordance with instructions from the heirs of the late Levi Milner, in process of the settlement of the estate we shall offer on the premises at the date and hour above mentioned this most desirable parcel of suburban property. It is splendidly situated on a main street within five minutes walk of the Moody street electrics and less than 20 minutes walk of city hall. The land totals 20,745 square feet. It is of the finest grade of soil and affords an opportunity for large and productive garden, there already being an abundance and large variety of fruit trees and shrubbery. There is a first class poultry house accommodating forty hens on the premises. The house is in cottage style and has seven fine rooms and is supplied with gas and city water. The nearness of the property to the mill centre and the downtown district together with its large garden facilities makes it most desirable and of a type rarely offered at auction sale.

TERMS: $200 to be paid or secured to the auctioneer as soon as the property is struck off

Per order, HEIRS LEVI MILNER.

XMAS MONEY

AT LOWEST POSSIBLE RATES

ON YOUR PLAIN NOTE—EASY PAYMENTS

FIRST PAYMENT AFTER CHRISTMAS

EQUITABLE LOAN CO.

OFFICES, 202 HILDRETH BUILDING, 45 MERRIMACK STREET
UP 1 FLIGHT—AT HEAD OF STAIRS

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FARMERS, TAKE NOTICE

If you have any FRESH KILLED POULTRY for sale, bring it to the JOHN STREET PUBLIC MARKET and we will give you full market price in cash for same. Must be A No. 1 goods.

J. P. CURLEY, Proprietor.

THE WEATHER

Snow tonight; Saturday fair and colder; increasing variable winds.

THE LOWELL SUN

7 O'CLOCK

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VILLA PROMISES TO STOP KILLING AMERICANS

Bandit Leader Makes Overtures to United States and Promises to Cease Depredations Upon American Property and Discontinue Killing United States Citizens

EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 15.—Francisco Villa, through representatives here, has made overtures to the United States and has promised to cease his depredations upon American property and discontinue killing Americans in Mexico, it was announced today by a government agent here.

JURY DISAGREES IN CASE AGAINST PROPRIETOR OF WASHINGTON TAVERN

The jury which heard the case of Mrs. Elizabeth Lake, widow of Joseph Lake, vs. Henry W. Garrity, proprietor of the old Washington tavern, reported a disagreement shortly before 1 o'clock this afternoon after more than 24 hours' deliberation. This is the longest period that a jury has remained out trying to decide a civil case in the local court house for many years, the jury staying out more than two hours longer than the panel that heard the Walker-Gage case a few days ago.

Mrs. Lake sued to recover for the death of her husband, who sustained a fracture of the skull in a fall in front of the Washington tavern in December, 1916. The evidence submitted was to the effect that Lake was ordered to leave the defendant's

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THE MAYOR IS IN FAVOR OF COMMISSION FOR HIGH SCHOOL

Mayor O'Donnell, at today's meeting of the municipal council, came out in favor of a commission of ten, to have charge of the erection of the new high school, and a motion to have the city solicitor draft a bill to that effect to the legislature was passed. The meeting was called at noon and all the commissioners were present. Eight men were selected to serve as jurors at the coming session of the superior court, and many important matters came up for action. Before the passing of the mayor's motion, there was an animated discussion relating to the attitude of the school committee on high school contracts.

A petition was read for a police box at the corner of Methuen street, signed

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ALLIES YIELD TO THE REQUEST OF UNITED STATES

LONDON, Dec. 15, 11.30 a. m.—The entente powers have decided to grant safe conduct to Count Tarnowski von Tarnow, recently appointed Austro-Hungarian ambassador to the United States.

The foreign office made this announcement today, saying the entente had decided to grant the safe conduct in consideration of the representations made by the American government. The American ambassador, Walter H. Page, has been notified.

GREECE ACCEPTS THE ENTENTE ULTIMATUM

LONDON, Dec. 15, 3.10 p. m.—The Greek government has accepted the ultimatum presented by the entente allies, says a despatch from Athens to the Central News agency.

The ultimatum of the entente allies to Greece was presented yesterday and expired at 3 o'clock today. There are indications that the terms were agreed to but so far the British foreign office has received no news of their acceptance.

PREMIER LLOYD GEORGE IS MUCH BETTER

EXPECTS TO BE ABLE TO GO BEFORE HOUSE OF COMMONS ON TUESDAY

LONDON, Dec. 15.—Premier Lloyd George was much better this morning. He has every expectation of being able to go before the house of commons on Tuesday. In the meantime he will remain indoors.

WANTED MORE SPENDING MONEY

Just because he only gave her 10 cents a week for spending money, Mike Hassan was complained of by his wife and brought before Judge Pickman at this morning's session of the police court on a charge of non-support. Mike entered a plea of not guilty and

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$1470 VERDICT IN LAND DAMAGE CASE

A verdict of $1470.32 was returned in the superior court this afternoon in the land damage suit of Mrs. Annie T. Young vs. City of Lowell. Daniel J. Donahue represented the plaintiff and City Solicitor Harold A. Varnum the city.

URGES GOVERNMENT TO ECONOMIZE ON PAPER

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The senate today adopted a resolution by Senator Kenyon of Iowa, directing the committee on printing, in view of the scarcity and increasing cost of print paper, to investigate the subject and to recommend what government publications might be temporarily suspended and what economies might be practiced in the various government departments in the interets of conservation of paper.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

BOSTON & MAINE NEGOTIATING FOR PARK

Report has it that for some time past the officials of the Boston & Maine railroad have been negotiating for the purchase of Rockingham Park in Salem, N. H. The park is now the property of Edward F. Searles of Windham, N. H. In the past years, fairs have been run on the grounds, but it is believed that they have been unprofitable for the owner, and the Boston & Maine expects for this reason to obtain the property at a reasonable sum. What the company's intentions are in buying it is not known, but in all probability then fairs will be continued under a new management.

NETHERLANDS PARLIAMENT

THE HAGUE, Netherlands, Dec. 15, via London, 3.15 p. m.—The first chamber of the Netherlands parliament today passed the bill authorizing the issue of a state loan of 125,000,000 florins at four per cent.

PRESIDENT WILSON NOT TO ACT UNTIL PREMIER LLOYD GEORGE HAS SPOKEN

Delays Decision on Peace Proposals Until After British Prime Minister Announces His Policies

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—President Wilson probably will not finally determine on any formal steps in connection with the peace proposals of the central powers until after David Lloyd George, the British prime minister, has spoken in the house of commons Tuesday.

In the meantime through the American diplomatic representatives in the capitals of the entente powers the American government will keep in close touch with the situation.

No formal comment was forthcoming today either from the White House or the state department. It is known to be the view of most of the cabinet members that the American government should move cautiously and do nothing to imperil its influence for peace.

Nations to Maintain Peace

President Wilson is known to attach great importance to the possibility of establishing an association of nations to maintain peace.

He outlined in definite terms the procedure he would take in initiating a peace movement, in the course of a speech delivered here last May before the League to Enforce Peace. At that time the president said:

"If it should ever be our privilege to suggest or initiate the movement

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BILL TO PROHIBIT LIQUOR ADS FROM MAILS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—A bill prohibiting the transmission of liquor advertisements by mail to anyone except licensed liquor dealers or agents, was favorably reported today by the house postoffice committee. It is aimed at the so-called mail order business in dry territory.

The bill, drawn by Representative Randall of California, prohibitionist, would absolutely bar the mails to liquor advertising or correspondence except between persons licensed to do a liquor business.

The bill contains provisions which are supported by the prohibition forces in their war on the mail order trade.

When the senate resumed debate on the Sheppard bill to make the capital dry, Senator Smoot submitted a substitute for absolute prohibition except for medicinal purposes. The Sheppard bill would not prohibit importation of liquor for personal use.

"If the prohibitionists really want prohibition in the District of Columbia," said Senator Smoot, "they should accept this bill. The pending bill I consider a prohibition make-shift."

Senator Sheppard opposed the amendment which would prohibit individual use of liquor.

"If we can abolish the saloon in Washington," said Senator Sheppard, "I think we will have achieved a great deal. We cannot expect to accomplish everything desired at once."

The bill went over until tomorrow.

TODAY'S SNOW STORM THE REAL THING

Lowell took on a real wintry appearance today when a snow storm struck the city about 3.30 o'clock and continued throughout the day. The storm had all indications of growing to large proportions and by noon a thick coat covered the city. The Bay State Street Railway company had its plows out before the snow had been falling two hours to keep the tracks clear. The flakes fell steadily and kiddies, who have been waiting for weeks for a real storm, got busy with their sleds to enjoy their first coasting of the year.

SOCIETY DAY AT LOWELL'S BIG AUTO SHOW

Today was "Society Day" at the Lowell Automobile show in the state armory in Westford street and in spite of the unfavorable weather there was a fair sized attendance this afternoon. Many features have been added for today and a record attendance is expected before the show closes this

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FIRST GENERAL SNOWSTORM OF SEASON

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—The first general snow storm of the season extended to all parts of New England today. While no unusually low temperatures were reported, the weather bureau announced that colder weather would prevail tomorrow with continued snow flurries in the northern portion.

Storm warnings were hoisted along the coast from Atlantic City to Boston as the storm east to north winds were expected to reach gale proportions by tomorrow.

Snow began falling in this city soon after daylight.

INCREASE VALUE OF COUNTRY'S FARM CROPS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—A decrease of sixty million bushels in the corn crop from the estimate made in November and an increase of 32,000,000 bushels in the wheat crop were shown today in the department of agriculture's fiscal estimate of the country's imporatnt farm crops. Their value, based on prices being paid farmers Dec. 1, show vast increases over last year's totals. This year's corn crop is worth $572,103,000 more than last year's, the wheat crop $83,462,00 more; oats $96,673,000 more; potatoes $95,071,000 more, hay $57,250,000 more; tobacco $72,727,000 more and cotton $475,378,000 more.

NOTICE

New Velours for Practical Gifts. Bring Hat or the size

DELORME, THE HATTER

Sun Building
15 PRESCOTT STREET

FREE CITY DELIVERY

COBURN'S CHRISTMAS CANDLES

Red Birthday Candles
FOUR DOZEN FOR 9c

Tree Candles, two sizes
Boxes of 24 and 36, at 10c

½ lb. Xmas Candles.... .06
1 lb. Xmas Candles..... .12

Banquet Candles
Assorted Colors. Self-fitting Ends
DOZEN, 15c

Antique Candlesticks
Candle Included, 10c

Tack Holders for tree candles
DOZEN, 5c

C. B. COBURN CO.
63 MARKET ST.

FREE CITY DELIVERY

CHALIFOUX'S ON THE SQUARE

7 MORE SHOPPING DAYS BEFORE XMAS

HOW TO START A STORE
1.—A place.
2.—A stock
3.—Salespeople to sell it.
4.—People to keep records

HOW TO MAKE IT GROW
1.—The right merchandise.
2.—At the right time.
3.—At the right place

HOW TO MAKE IT EXCEL
1.—Perfect service in all departments. Our store was started years ago. It is growing. Come in and see the above standards in operation. It will be our pleasure to entertain you and, we trust, your pleasure to come again.

WE HAVE THE FINEST LINE OF
Madeira Hand Embroideries
IN THE CITY
P. Sousa & Co.
99 to 103 GORHAM STREET

HOTEL NAPOLI
Friend St., Boston
Table D'Hote Lunch, 11 to 3.....50c
Table D'Hote Dinner, 5 to 9.....75c
Daily Combinations.....45c
Signor Palladino's Orchestra
Open Till Midnight

Millinery Specials
—FOR—
SATURDAY DECEMBER 16th

Before stock-taking sale of fine Millinery. Buy now for another season—

$20.00 Trimmed Hats, now.....$12.98
$15.00 Trimmed Hats, now.....$9.98
$10.00 Trimmed Hats, now.....$6.98
$ 8.00 Trimmed Hats, now.....$5.98
$ 6.00 Trimmed Hats, now.....$3.98

SHIRRED BRIM SAILORS—Value $2.00 ..... 98c
SILK VELVET SAILORS, TURBANS, TRICORNES—$3.00 Value at $1.98
HAND BLOCKED LYONS VELVET HATS, in all new shapes—Value $6.00 ..... $2.98
BLACK and COLORED VELVET CROWNS with gold and silver underbrims—$5.00 value, at $3.98

SPECIAL SHOWING OF MOURNING HATS AND VEILS AT REASONABLE PRICES

NEW FLOWERS—FRUITS—FANCIES—PARADISE—GOLD AND SILVER LACE AND ORNAMENTS

Buy your Millinery in a Specialty Store. Special attention given to order work.

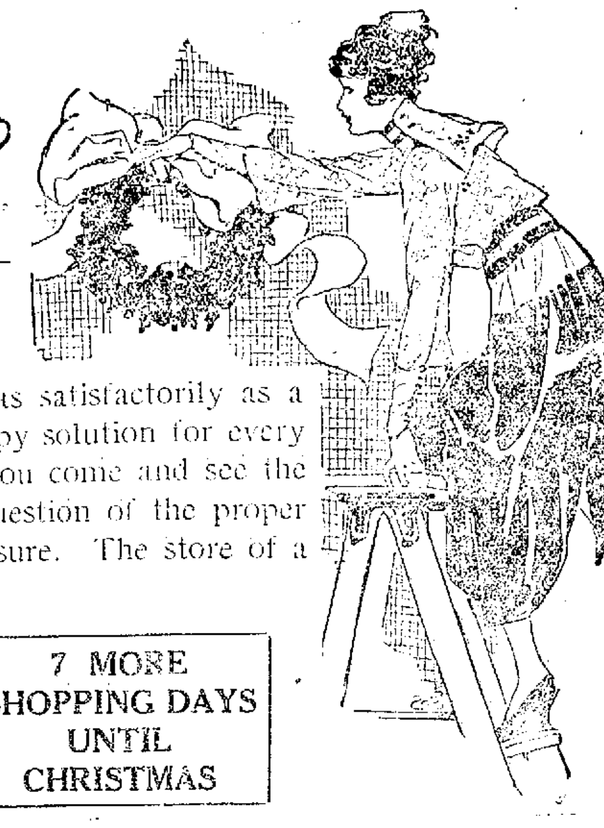
314 ESSEX STREET Central Bldg. Lawrence, Mass.

THE GOVE CO.
Retailers With Wholesale Prices
141-145 MERRIMACK STREET
—LOWELL—

112-114 MERR'K ST. Gove Bldg. Haverhill, Mass.

BETTER PURCHASE SENSIBLE—SERVICEABLE KIND OF GIFTS, THE KIND WE SELL—THEY ARE MORE SATISFACTORY IN THE END.

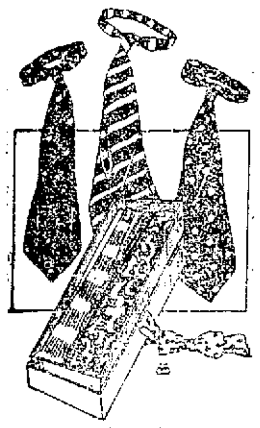
The Bon Marche
DRY GOODS CO.



WHAT SHALL I GIVE?

No thought that you can conjure up of what to give for Christmas will serve to settle the doubt as satisfactorily as a little journey through these varied, helpful and appropriate holiday stocks, for in them lies the happy solution for every problem, large and small. Even with no thought in mind of purchasing we shall be glad to have you come and see the store in all the beauty of its holiday decorations. So for once and all you can safely dismiss the question of the proper gift to make—it is certainly here somewhere, and waiting to solve the question to your utmost pleasure. The store of a thousand gift suggestions is ready for you.

Men's Furnishings



Men's Silk Neckwear, 50c, 65c and $1.00

Men's Shirts, laundered and soft cuffs. $1.00 to $3.50 Each

Men's Pajamas, in cotton or flannelette. $1.15 to $2.25 Suit

New Scarfs, for men or women.....50c to $7.98

Men's Bath Robes, $4.98, $6.98, $8.98

Men's Gloves, $1.00 to $2.00 Pair

Beautiful Xmas WAISTS

New Georgettes, New Crepe de Chine, New Lingerie

We are prepared for a tremendous Christmas rush. Select your Waists from Lowell's largest waist stock. Special in Holiday boxes,

98c, $1.98, $2.98, $4.98.

Other Beautiful Waists—$3.98, $5.98, $6.98, $7.98, $9.98 up to $25.00.

Special Sale of COATS

One hundred coats from our regular stock marked at special prices for Friday and Saturday only.

One lot of coats that were $16.95, $17.95, $19.95, $22.50. Friday and Saturday special for,

$14.98

One lot of coats that were $29.50, $32.50, $35.00. Friday and Saturday special for,

$26.50

One big lot of coats that were $15.00 and $16.50. Sale price,

$11.95

7 MORE SHOPPING DAYS UNTIL CHRISTMAS

Christmas Bath Robes

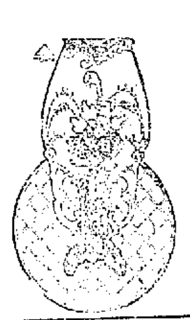
AT SPECIAL PRICES

300 women's bath robes just in and will go on sale today. Beacon blankets and eiderdown. These will go on sale at two prices.

150 Bath Robes made from Beacon blankets, good full style, best shades, all sizes. Worth $4.00. Special price. **$2.98**

150 Bath Robes made of fine blankets, some with woven borders, also eiderdown in new shades. Worth $5.98. Special price. **$4.98**

China from the Famous Marimura Factory



Values to 49c Specially Priced at 25c—Button Boxes, Bon Bons, Vases, Trays, Baby Plates, etc.

Values to 89c Priced at 49c—Whipped Cream Sets, Puff and Hair Boxes, Olive Dishes, Covered Jugs, etc.

$1.98 Whipped Cream or Mayonnaise Dish 98c—Unusually fine assortment, choice of several designs.

$2.98 Celery Sets, of 7 Pieces, $1.98—Best white body, beautiful patterns, choice of 3 designs $1.98

Pretty Neckwear For Christmas Gifts

All the newest ideas are shown in this important accessory to women's dress. You'll choose wisely in many cases if you decide to give neckwear.

Muslin Collars, large and small shapes 25c

Muslin and Lace Trimmed Collars, round and sailor shapes 50c

Chiffon and Georgette Crepe Collars, plain and tucked. 50c

Georgette Crepe Collars, heavy quality 69c

Broadcloth Collars, all different styles 50c

Georgette Collars, extra heavy and embroidered. $1.00

Broadcloth Collars, sailor and round shapes, some embroidered. $1.00 to $2.98

Collar and Cuff Sets [illegible] 50c to $2.98

Embroidered Georgette Collar and Cuff Sets, $1.00 to $2.98

Boudoir Caps—

Boudoir caps of Georgette crepe, muslin or lace. 25c

Boudoir Caps of silk and lace, all colors 50c

A very beautiful line of caps of silk and lace, a number of styles from, 75c to $1.98

Muslin and lace trimmed caps with apron to match, 50c, 75c, $1.00 Set

Spanish Lace Scarfs for evening wear....$1.50 to $4.98

Crepe de Chine Scarfs, all colors, for evening wear, $1.00 to $3.98

SATIN HATS The Leading Style

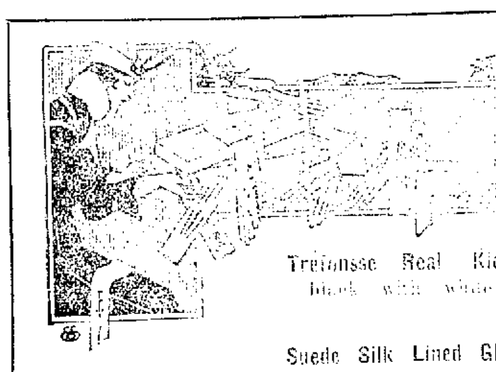
A new assortment of satin hats—Come in military turbans, large sailors and rolling brims, trimmed with ostrich, paradise aigrette, military pom poms and wings; black, white and colors. Prices $3.98, $4.98, $5.98

Useful gifts for children and misses—Brushed Wool Angora Sets, toque and scarf; white and colors. Prices, $1.98, $2.49 Set

Separate Scarf $1.00

Separate Toque 98c

Kid Gloves



A most desirable gift—a pair or a half dozen pairs of Gloves will be very acceptable to anyone. See how well you can do here in this purchase.

Trefousse Real Kid Gloves—In black with white embroidery. $2.00

Suede Silk Lined Gloves—In tan, gray and black. $1.25, $1.75

Washable Kid—In sand, gray, tan, putty, canary and white. $1.65, $1.75

Chamoisette Cashmere Gloves—2-clasp, in tan, gray, black and white 59c, 75c, 89c

Kid Gloves—One-clasp, in tan and white $1.00

Washable Kid—In sand, gray, tan, putty shades, pique and prix seams. $1.25

Elite Suede Gloves—1-clasp, in pearl, gray and canary shades $1.75

Children's Kid Gloves—In tan and white washable. $1.25

Children's Lined Gloves—In tan, gray, wool and silk lined 79c, $1.25

Children's Wool Gloves—Wool Gloves and Mittens, 29c

Silver Plated Ware of Only Recognized Worth Here

Community, 1847 and Wm. Rogers Mfg. Co. Stock complete to last detail with things useful in every household. Priced from 25c to $25.00

Children's Sets—Knife, fork and spoon ....25c to $2.58

Children's Mugs, large variety ....49c to $1.49

[illegible] Casseroles are [illegible] Priced. 98c to $5.98

[illegible] Jars, crystal and colored glass $1.65 to $2.98

Silver Service Tea Sets, 4 pieces—Tea pot, sugar, creamer and spoon holder, plain and engraved, colonial and French gray finish. Priced, $3.98 to $27.98

Castor and Condiment Sets, 2, 3, 4 and 5 bottle sets. Priced ......25c to $4.25

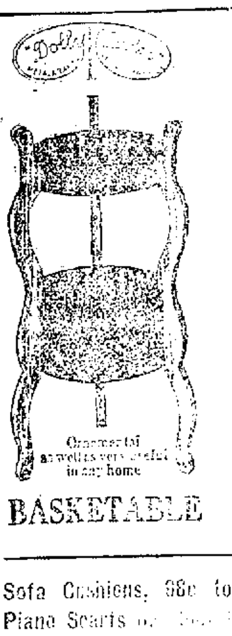
Nut Bowls, gold lined, 75c to $5.98

Silver Chests, oak, mahogany and moreen cases, 26, 32 and 56 pieces, all makes—Rogers, 1847 and Community silver. $6.49 to $32.00

Sterling Silverware, pieces for the table: asparagus server, pie knife, berry spoon, butter knife, sugar spoon, cheese knife, etc. Specially priced. $1.49 to $4.25

Carving Sets in fancy boxes, knife, fork and steel, stag, ivory and all silver handles. Priced at ..$1.98 to $14.98

USEFUL AND ACCEPTABLE GIFTS FROM OUR UPHOLSTERY DEPARTMENT



BASKETABLE

SPECIAL

THE DOLLY VARDEN

The handy [illegible] basket or fancy work and embroidery table made of [illegible] wood, handsomely [illegible] reproductions of [illegible] carved trays, [illegible] Price ..$2.98

Sofa Cushions, 98c to $1.50

Piano Scarfs [illegible] 50c to $5.00

[illegible] Screens, [illegible]

OTHER USEFUL GIFTS

Portieres [illegible]
Portieres in [illegible]
Portieres [illegible]
Portieres [illegible]
Rag Rugs.
Couch Covers.
Lace Curtains.
Steamer Rugs.
Table Covers.
Tabourets.
Brass Jardinieres.

GIFTS FOR MEN

[illegible] Ash Trays.
[illegible] Match Trays.
[illegible] Pipe [illegible]
Metal Necktie Racks.
[Representing Elks, Moose, G. O. P. (Elephant), Yale (Bull dog, jockey), Red Men (Indian head).]

Fireplace or Wood Baskets, $1.98 to $3.00

Hassocks and Foot Stools, all prices.

Leather and Felt Top Folding Card Tables. $1.75, $2.25, $2.35

Cedar Chests Beautiful cedar chests, prices from, $8.98 to $25.00

Fancy Baskets Work, embroidery [illegible] baskets and stands. 49c to $7.00

Fancy Waste Baskets, 25c to $3.49

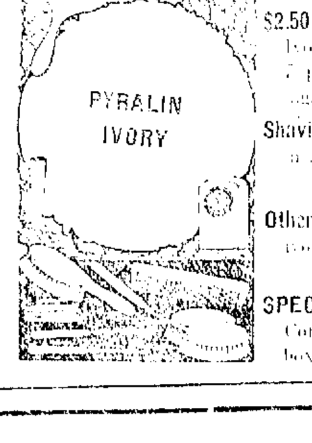
Cretonne Work Stands, $1.49

Shirt Waist Boxes Cretonne, matting and [illegible] covered..........$1.98 to $5.98

Art Doily Sets For dainty lunch or bureau sets, 1, 10 and 13 piece sets 50c

Pyralin Ivory and Toilet Articles

Ivory and silver sets, perfumes, toilet water, trays, boxes, etc. Each article is of the appreciated sort, that there is joy in giving and receiving.



Pyralin Ivory Mirrors, $1.95—Handsome, heavy quality Pyralin ivory in round shape mirror, best French plate, 6 inch size. $3.00 value. Special $1.95

$2.50 MANICURE TRAYS, $1.49—Ivory manicure trays, boudoir style, 7 pieces, in pink or blue velvet lining. Special $1.49

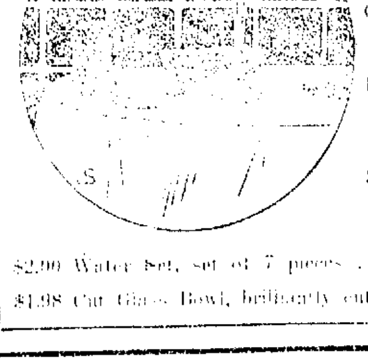
Shaving Sets In metal, nickel plated, in a great variety, at 39c, 69c, 98c up to $6.98

Other High Grade Toilet Sets In ivory and fancy silver, at $7.98, $9.98 to $30.00

SPECIAL Children's $1.50 Ivory Comb and Brush Sets, fancy lined box for .... 69c Set

Beautiful Cut Glass

Cut Glass from the Finest Makers



7 Piece Water Sets, $1.49 to $12.98

7 Piece Sherbet Sets, $3.49 to $4.98

Cracker and Cheese Dishes, 98c to $2.98

Hundreds of other desirable things priced at, 25c, 49c, 98c and Up

SPECIAL $3.49 Cut Glass Bowls, floral and mitre cuttings. Special $2.69

$2.00 Water Set, set of 7 pieces $1.49

$1.98 Cut Glass Bowl, brilliantly cut, 8 in. size. Special....$1.39

LAST WEEK OF THIS SALE

FREE TROUSERS

The Balance of the M. J. Callan stock of Haverhill, Mass. Former prices $20 to $35---positively the last few days. Suit to Order $12.50 with Free Trousers

Through the receiver, Judge Cavan of Haverhill, Mass., last week I purchased for cash the entire stock and fixtures of M. T. Callan, Tailor, who for some time occupied the street store at 38 Main St., Haverhill—where he catered to the best trade in the city.

This stock embraces goods purchased from such well known houses as Blake & Stearns, F. W. Talcott, Frieze Co., and Strong, Hewitt. These firms sell mostly confined styles and represent anywhere from $20.00 to $35.00 in Suit value.

I never put any goods on the shelf. I clean up every one of my big purchases. When I am making a clean-up I don't figure to make any profit. I stand to lose a percentage, but I sell out every yard of stock and charge my loss up to advertising—Why?

Instead of being kept on my shelves these ends of fine cloth that originally cost $2.25 to $3.50 a yard, I put out in well made Suits on the backs of satisfied customers. These walking advertisements more than offset the loss occasioned by making the Suits at **$12.50.**

Furthermore I pledge my business honor that in this clean-up sale of $12.50 Suits with free Pants, you will get my best cutters and fitters on the job and you will have guaranteed linings and trimmings, etc., and if you are not fully satisfied when your garment is completed, when you put it on—I will make you a new Suit or give you your money back.

I am talking now to the intelligent men who for reasons best known to themselves, must be economical, and to the man who has enough business sense to realize that I am giving him the tailoring opportunity of the Fall season of 1916 and 1917.

Balance of the entire Stock Trimmings of M. T. Callan, Haverhill, Mass. His prices $20 to $35. My price the few remaining days for quick disposal. Suit to Order

$12.50 WITH FREE PANTS

MITCHELL, the Tailor

31 Merrimack Square, Lowell, Mass.

OPEN EVENINGS TILL 9.

BONAR LAW'S SPEECH IN COMMONS

LONDON, Dec. 14—In moving a vote of credit of £400,000,000 in the house of commons today A. Bonar Law, chancellor of the exchequer, decided to confine his speech entirely to the financial side of the war and, in the absence of Premier Lloyd George and former Premier Asquith, owing to illness, it was expected the debate would be merely along this line. However, this will not prevent members of the small group of peace advocates from asking questions in an effort to draw out the government in regard to Germany's peace proposal although it was regarded as unlikely that they would succeed. The proposal of the central powers had not been received at the foreign office this morning and as it is understood simply to offer to open negotiations containing no terms, the consultations of the entente allies regarding it are expected to be purely formal, preliminary to the transmission of a joint reply. In any event Great Britain will make no official comment until Russia, France and her other allies express their views.

Today's vote of credit is the 14th since the outbreak of the war, bringing up the total for the present financial year to £1,750,000,000 and the grand total for the war to £3,552,000,000.

While there is always a large attendance of members on the day a vote of credit is moved, even more than usual interest was shown in today's proceedings owing to curiosity as to whether any change would be announced in the manner of financing the war and as to the reception by the liberals of the new chancellor's policy.

Mr. Bonar Law said the actual expenditure had exceeded the estimate owing to the increase in munitions and additional loans to Great Britain's allies and to her dominions.

Replying in the house of commons today to a question put by Arthur Lynch, nationalist member for West Claire, suggesting that many particulars in the policy of the British government with regard to the United States had been of an irritating kind without any compensation corresponding to the danger of producing misunderstandings, Lord Robert Cecil, minister of blockade, said:

"It unfortunately is inevitable that our measures should cause inconvenience to the citizens of neutral countries. Much as we regret it I can only say that, consistently with the paramount duties of using our belligerent rights we have done and are doing all we can to make their exercise as little irksome to neutrals as possible."

Blockade of Greece

In the house of commons today Lord Robert Cecil, minister of blockade, said that the complete blockade of Greek ports did not imply a state of war between Greece and the entente allies.

Fully alive to the dangers of delay in dealing with what he termed the unsatisfactory situation in Greece, Lord Robert Cecil told the house that the entente allies were about to present certain demands to the Greek government for the purpose of clearing it up.

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WILL OF EMPEROR FRANCIS JOSEPH OF AUSTRIA

MUNICH, Dec. 13, via London, Dec. 14.—The Neueste Nachrichten says that 60,000,000 crowns was willed by Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria-Hungary from his private fortune for a fund for the benefit of wounded soldiers, invalids and relatives of men killed in the war. Two daughters and one granddaughter receive 20,000,000 crowns each. Of the remainder of the late emperor's private fortune 10,000,000 crowns was divided among various legatees.

CALLS FOR INQUIRY INTO HIGH COST OF LIVING

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The Borland resolution, ordering the federal trade commission to investigate all angles of the high cost of living, including the producing capacity of the United States and possible violations of the anti-trust laws, was favorably reported today by the house judiciary committee.

This is the first of the high cost of living proposals acted upon in the house. It was introduced only about a week ago, and the quick action by the committee was a surprise even to Mr. Borland himself.

BRITISH SHIP SUNK

LONDON, Dec. 14 — A Lloyds announcement today says:

"The steamer Harlington, previously reported as having struck a mine on Dec. 9, sank and the crew was picked up by the steamer Harlyn which was sunk later. Nine lives were lost."

"The Harlington and Harlyn were both British steamers. Lloyds announced on Dec. 10th that both had been "damaged."

SLEEPYTIME TALES

BABY SISTER'S BATH

Once upon a time, when Lucy was about three years old, a cute little baby sister came to live with her at her home. Lucy had never had a sister, in fact, had had none but dolls to play with and, of course, she wanted to play with the baby all of the time, for it could make many more kinds of noises than her dolls and could move about, and open and shut its eyes and kick up its feet and lots of things.

Lucy always gave her dolls a bath once in so often, as every good mother does her children. The dolls showed it too for they were all washed out and funny looking from so much water, and Lucy's mother had to buy new dolls very often to keep some, at least, looking like real dolls.

Lucy wanted very much to give the new baby a bath and had watched nurse do it until she thought she knew just how to do it. She couldn't see, however, why the baby should be handled so carefully and thought it could just as well be dumped into the bathtub and soaked under water for hours at a time, just as were her dolls.

One day, when the nurse was downstairs and she was left alone with the baby, she decided that she would give her little sister a bath like the dolls had which she was sure was the only sensible way to keep a person clean.

So she took baby in her arms and half carried and half dragged her into the bathroom and managed to get her undressed and put her in the cold tub without any water in it. Then she carefully turned on the cold water while baby squirmed and cried and kicked its fat legs in anger, for baby had never been treated so roughly before and didn't like the feeling of the cold water. Pretty soon the water began to rise higher and higher and baby began to spatter and choke until even Lucy realized that her dolls never acted that way. So she turned off the water and ran as fast as she could to get nurse and find out why baby did not take a bath with as much quietness as did her dolls.

Of course the nurse was horrified when she found poor baby sputtering and shaking with cold in the bathtub. She grabbed her out, wrapped her in warm blankets and put her in her nice little crib with a bottle of hot milk to drink.

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Manicure Sets.....$1.00 to $15.00
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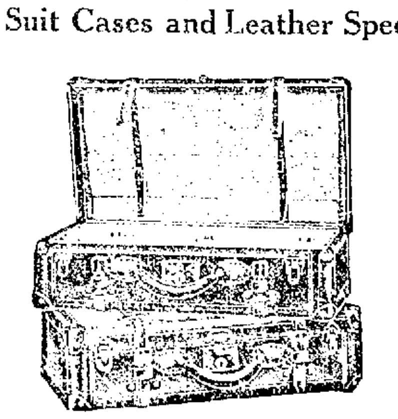

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Cigar Cases..........$1.00 to $5.00
Flasks ....$1.00 up
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DRASTIC REGULATIONS TO RELIEVE CAR SHORTAGE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Drastic regulations adopted by the railroads went into effect today with the approval of the interstate commerce commission, as emergency measures to relieve the shortage of freight cars which for months has been a brake on the country's commerce and affected the high cost of living.

The remedy is the railroads' own, proposed by the car service commission of the American Railroad association and formally approved by the federal commission. The first regulation provides that a consignee may have the usual two days to unload a car and that thereafter demurrage shall be charged at the rate of one dollar for the first day, two dollars for the second, three dollars for the third and five dollars for the fourth and each succeeding day. Heretofore the charge has been uniformly one dollar a day and many consignees, notably automobile concerns and coal dealers, are declared to have been glad to permit shipments to stand for long periods because the penalty was so small that it compared favorably with warehouse charges.

Another order increases the daily rental paid by railroads to each other for cars from 45 to 75 cents per car, or about 70 per cent. The order is expected to make serious difficulties for some small roads which never have had sufficient equipment of their own.

Foreign cars on congested roads are said to have come almost wholly from southern and western roads. Reports to the interstate commerce commission show that they glut the railroad yards and sidings of most eastern lines and many in the middle west. The trend of traffic, because of the European demand for American goods, has been overwhelmingly toward eastern seaports.

The rise in the price of coal is attributed almost wholly to the car shortage, aided by the alleged activities of speculators. While the east was paying panic prices for coal, the mines of the middle west, and to less degree of the anthracite section, were working with reduced forces or on part time in many instances, because there was not a sufficient supply of cars to handle the output. An order for the return of coal cars to their owners, loaded or empty, was issued several weeks ago by the car service commission to meet this condition.

In respect to foodstuffs the same situation is said to have applied, although it has been less acute. Recent orders of the commission which provide that receiving roads shall return box cars and refrigerator cars without delay to the owning lines are said to be showing effect now.

Further consideration of the problems presented by the shortage of cars was the subject of a conference here today of officials of eastern roads. A meeting of some of the chief shippers of the country will be held next week.

SPENDING MONEY

Continued

through an interpreter the couple told their story.

The woman who entered the court room with a three-weeks' old baby in her arms informed the court that she likes candy and cannot purchase enough with the ten cents her husband gives her every week. When questioned by Judge Pickman Mrs. Hassan stated she received all the food and clothing she wants and is properly housed, but she said she has no spending money. She also said she wants at least one dollar a week to lay aside as an emergency fund in case her husband has an argument with her and leaves her.

Hassan said he gives his wife between 50 cents and one dollar a week for spending money. He said he earns $10 a week, pays the rent and purchases the fuel, food and clothing.

The interpreter informed the court that Mrs. Hassan is now under bonds to the immigration officers and will be deported as soon as the war is over. The couple were married about four years ago at Tripoli. Hassan came here shortly after the wedding and two years ago Mrs. Hassan arrived in this country, but was prevented from landing by the immigration officers until she had secured bonds. The woman came to Lowell and as soon as the war is over she will be sent back to Tripoli. After hearing this statement the court found the defendant not guilty and the couple left the court room arm in arm and smiling.

Had Forgotten Date

On Nov. 4 Napoleon Charest was found guilty of drunkenness and fined $15 and given until Dec. 11 to pay the fine, but Napoleon forgot the date and did not live up to the agreement. This morning he was taken in on a capias and endeavored to prove to the court that his time was not up, but the records were more convincing than Napoleon's word, and the latter finally admitted he was in the wrong and after assuring the court he would settle his debt with the county within a week, he was given another week's grace.

Cases Continued

William Pegadeotis was arraigned on a charge of selling cigarets to a minor, Thomas Norton and after entering a plea of not guilty, the case was continued till next Thursday.

Julius Goldman was charged with threatening Abraham Dinnerman and through his counsel he pleaded not guilty. The case at the request of counsel was continued till Dec. 22.

William S. O'Brien was given a sentence of 20 days in jail for drunkenness, while one offender was fined $6, another $5, and a third was released.

Juvenile Session

Joseph Brooks, a minor, who was arrested a few days ago, having a revolver in his possession, was arraigned at the juvenile court this morning and after being found guilty was ordered to pay a fine of $50.

PEACE REPORTS CAUSE CRASH IN WHEAT

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—Wheat crashed down in value today on account of peace reports. First sales showed a fall in some cases of 8 5-8c a bushel. May wheat touching $1.58 as against $1.66 1-4 to 5-8 at yesterday's finish.

Prices varied as much as five cents at the same instant in different parts of the pit. The opening range for May, the chief trading option, spread all the way from $1.58 to $1.63. Waves of selling accompanied the exciting break in values.

What chiefly sent prices whirling downward was the statement authorized by the German embassy in Washington that one of the most important subjects for discussion at a peace parley would be universal disarmament.

Yesterday's and this morning's breaks in the New York stock market also were factors. Yesterday's big decline in New York came too late to have much influence here until today.

The decline at the outset this morning made a total drop in wheat prices of about 18 cents a bushel since the first peace offer came from Berlin.

After the opening, still lower prices were reached, the extreme being $1.57 1-2 for May. Then the pressure became relatively exhausted and houses that of late have been free sellers, took to the buying side. Rallies, however, were not well maintained.

Within an hour losses had been widened to 10 5-8c a bushel. May wheat tumbled to $1.56 on the closing out of accounts in which margins had been swallowed up completely. As compared with prices a month ago the market at this stage was down more than 45 cents a bushel in the December delivery.

PREMIER OF RUMANIA HAS RESIGNED

LONDON, Dec. 15.—The resignation of Premier Bratiano of Rumania is reported by the Budapest newspaper Avillag quoted in an Exchange Telegraph despatch from Copenhagen.

A recent despatch from Jassy, the provisional capital of Rumania, said all the members of the Rumanian cabinet had resigned with the exception of the premier.

TO INCREASE FREIGHT RATES TO AMERICA

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 15, via London.—According to a despatch from Malmo, Sweden, to the National Tidende a decision to increase freight rates to America by 75 per cent. has been reached at a conference at Gothenburg by representatives of the Scandinavian-American line, the Danish United Steamship Co., the Norwegian-Mexico line, the Swedish-American-Mexico line and the largest Scandinavian exporters.

FUND NEARLY EXHAUSTED

General Sharpe Tells House Committee More Money Is Needed for Dependents of Soldiers

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The war department is paying out $75,000 [illegible] to the dependent families of enlisted men of the regular army and National Guard, Maj. Gen. Sharpe, quartermaster general, told the house military committee yesterday. The $2,000,000 [illegible] for this purpose already provided is virtually exhausted, he added, and emergency legislation will be asked to continue the payments through the present month.

If disbursements continue at the present rate a deficiency of nearly $[illegible] 000,000 will be shown by the end of the fiscal year.

Gen. Sharpe said the law limited payments to the mothers, wives and children of soldiers and that [illegible] where [illegible] had been asked for fathers or sisters the appeals [illegible] could not be considered.

THE LOCAL MACHINISTS HELD MEETING

A largely attended meeting of local machinists was held last evening in Machinists' hall, Central street, the meeting being the first in a series to be held in this city during the winter months under the auspices of [illegible] in an endeavor to unionize all [illegible] machinists. The meeting was presided over by Parker Sharpe and the speakers were as follows: Thomas Savage of Washington, a member of the international executive board, C. Davidson of Washington, an international organizer, S. A. Betwa of Newark, N. J., another international organizer and Councilor-elect Francis A. Warnock.

Woolen Spinners

At a meeting of the members of the Woolen Spinners' Brotherhood, last evening at 32 Middle street the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President, [illegible] Kennedy; vice president, Peter McKeon; financial secretary, Fred Battye; financial secretary, George Allen; trustee, [illegible]; auditors, Henry [illegible], William Storey and Fred Battye.

Stationary Firemen

Twelve new members were initiated at a regular meeting of the Stationary Firemen held last evening and several applications for membership were received. Donations were voted [illegible]

[illegible]

RESIGNS AS DEAN OF B. C. GRADUATE SCHOOL

RETIREMENT OF DR. WILLIAM E. HUNTINGTON FROM ACTIVE EDUCATIONAL WORK

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—The retirement of Dr. William E. Huntington from active educational work was announced today. [illegible]

[illegible]

DIVIDEND DECLARED

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The Northern Securities Co. today declared a dividend of 3 1-2 per cent. The last dividend was 2 per cent.

REV. DR. GALLAGHER DEAD

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 15.—The Rev. Dr. Charles W. Gallagher, president of the Maryland College for Women at Lutherville, died last night after a brief illness. He was born in Boston in 1846.

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Stockings	15c to $2.00	House Coats	$4.00 to $8.00
Suspenders	25c to $1.00	Silk Scarfs	50c to $4.00
Sweaters	$2.00 to $8.50	Woolen Scarfs	50c to $1.50
Vests	$2.50 to $6.00	Fur Caps	
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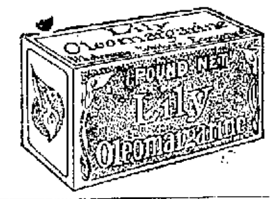
CAMPBELL'S PORK AND BEANS, can..........11c
POMPEIAN OLIVE OIL, pt. can..........20c
VAN CAMP'S EVAPORATED MILK, tall can.......... 9c



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Cheese Rich, Tasty, lb. **19c**

BUTTER—Fancy Table Quality, Lb...**36c**

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Alaska Pink **Salmon** Tall Can **9c**

Sweet Tender **Corn** 1916 Pack, Can **10c**

5 Lbs. SUGAR in sealed carton..........35c
When sold with
1 Lb. FLETCHER'S, The New Quality, COFFEE 35c
Both for 70c

Hermit Brand **Peas** 3 Cans for 20c

Karo Corn **Syrup** Can **8c**

Cuban-Guava Jelly, can..........25c
SUGAR WAFERS, lb. 23c

EGGS Fancy Selected, Doz. Box **35c**

Asparagus Tips, can..........15c
EGG BISCUITS, lb...20c

OLD SCOTT STRING BEANS, can ....7c | SARDINES IN GOOD OIL, can.......... 3c

Pears in Syrup BIG CAN...... **9c**

BEN HUR, 24½ lb. paper bag..........$1.15
BEN HUR, 98 lb. cotton sack..........$4.50
BARREL IN WOOD..........$9.25
SNOW CRUST PASTRY, 24½ lb. bag..........$1.15

SAUER KRAUT Big Can 12c

CONDENSED MILK, can ....10c SPINACH, full size can..........12c | KIDNEY BEANS, can..........7c

PORK	VEAL	BEEF	STEAK	POULTRY	LAMB
Smoked Shoulders, 16½c	Large Legs Veal, 12c	Prime Rib..........14c	Rump Steak.....26c	Turkeys, fy. nor...35c	Gen. Legs Lamb...18c
Fresh Should., 12½c, 16c	Veal Steak 18c	Rp. Butts, lb., 14½c	Sirloin 23c	Small Turkeys...23c	Yearling ...12½c, 15c
Roast Pork ....14c (by strip)	Veal Chops 15c	Bstn. Sir. Rolls..15c	Top Round 25c	Native Chickens..27c	Lamb Chops 23c
Pork Steak.......... 14c	Veal to Stew....11c	Chuck Roast 12c	Bottom Round.....16c	Native Fowl 24c	Yearg. Chops..12½c
Pork Butts.......... 16c	Veal Kinneys 10c	Beef to Boil 10c	Round Steak.....18c	Roast'g Chicks...20c	Lamb to Stew......9c
Leaf Lard 15c	Fores of Veal..10½c	Beef to Stew....10c	Porterhouse 25c	Small Fowl 18c	Frs. Gen. Lamb, 14½c
Native Pork .... 14c (From small pigs)					
Fresh [illegible] .... [illegible]					
Fresh Hams 15c					

Bacon

Dan. Easter Brand.....24c
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MUSHROOMS, lb........**40c** | SPANISH ONIONS, lb.....**5c**

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Chocolates, lb.	12c	Liver Sausage, lb.	12½c	Pineapples, each	10c
Gum Drops, lb.	12c	Liverwurst, lb.	15c	Grapefruit, each	5c
Chocolates, box	22c	Pork Sausage, lb.	15c	Bananas, doz.	20c
Croquettes, lb.	20c	Frankfurts, lb.	14c	Malaga Grapes, lb.	15c
Sugar Wafers, lb.	25c	Blood Pudding, lb.	14c	Pears, doz.	10c
Pound Cake, lb.	17c	Polish Sausage, lb.	14c	Red Grapes, lb.	7c
Assorted Cookies, lb.	12c	Blood Tongue, lb.	20c	Oranges, doz.	21c
Grape Juice, bot.	10c	Salamie, lb.	25c	Jumbo Oranges, doz.	45c

GROCERIES		NEW NUTS		VEGETABLES	
Evap. Peaches, lb.	10c	Hazel Nuts, lb.	25c	Radishes, bch.	5c
Evap. Apricots, lb.	15c	Brazil Nuts, lb.	20c	Spinach, pk	25c
New Prunes, lb.	10c	Walnuts, lb.	17c, 20c	Green Kale, pk.	12c
Ruby Prunes, lb.	13c	Almonds, lb.	20c	Squash, lb.	4c
Raisins, lb.	10c	Filberts, lb.	23c	Yel. Turnips, lb.	2½c
Bleached Raisins, lb.	18c	Fancy Mixed, lb.	15c	Lettuce, head	6c
Bell's Dressing, can	9c	Castanas, lb.	20c	Savoy Cabbage, lb.	2½c
Sage-Thyme, can	9c	S. S. Almonds, lb.	25c	Celery, bch.	19c
Fruit Jam, jar	10c	Peanuts, qt.	6c	Apples, pk.	15c

Corned Beef

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Important Holiday Reductions of

GIRLS' COATS

Right in time with Christmas shopping comes this offer of girls' coats,—an opportunity to buy warm coats for the winter that will be here to stay on December twenty-first.

The coats have been decidedly reduced and arranged in two price groups.

4.75 **9.75**

Wool velours, zibeline, corduroy, mixtures and velveteen, with fur, plush or velvet trimmings. Colors: Green, brown, navy.

NEWS AND NOTES FROM THE BUNTING CLUB

The Buntings are making arrangements for a pool and billiard tournament, whist, pitch, cribbage and forty-five's tournament, with the C.M.A.C.'s of this city.

New Years' eve, a vocal and instrumental concert will be given at the clubhouse for members only. William D. Regan, Esq., has been invited to address the members.

Great improvements have been made at the clubhouse for the comfort and convenience of the members. The whole building is now properly heated and ventilated for the winter months.

The banquet was a great success in every way. The speeches were interesting and enjoyed by everybody present, and Caterer Harvey's reputation as a chef did not suffer any.

Representative Victor Francis Jewett made good as an after-dinner speaker, and his services will be in great demand, judging by the favorable comments heard on all sides after the banquet.

Members of the Bunting club feel that a banquet like the last one should be held at least once a year, and twice if possible. Nothings brings the members together but a social session of this kind and they take more interest in the doings of the club and work together better.

Commencing the first Saturday night in January, a series of whist parties for members and their friends will be held in the clubhouse. The management will present the winners splendid prizes donated for that purpose.

President Humphriss is making a record for himself by calling all meetings on scheduled time and getting through business before the hours of midnight.

Vice President Samuel Nichol was down to respond to the toast "The Ladies" but, owing to the late hour, begged to be excused from making any extended remarks. The toastmaster at the next banquet will call upon Mr. Nichol earlier in the evening so he can make good.

Secretary George Emsley will attend the board of managers' meeting of the New England Amateur Athletic union at the Revere house in Boston next Monday evening.

The Bunting club will be well represented at the Allied bazaar in Mechanics building, Boston, an Saturday afternoon. They will leave on a special train engaged to take the big crowd to Boston for that purpose.

James Garnett has been elected to fill a vacancy on the board of directors and is now the chairman of the pool and billiards committee. The annual tournament for the championship of the club will start next week. The committee promises to give the novices good marks and the scratch men will have to go some to beat them.

INCOME TAX BOOKLET

A pamphlet, "Requirements of the Massachusetts Income Tax Law," has been issued by the tax commissioner to give information on the working of the new law to those who may be interested. Some hundreds of copies have been secured by the Lowell Trust company, which will be glad to distribute them while they last to any persons who may wish to have them.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

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SAYS PEOPLE DO NOT GET MONEY'S WORTH

PROF. ADAMS OF YALE TALKS ON MONEY EXPENDED FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—People do not get their money's worth out of the three billion dollars annually expended for public purposes, declared Prof. Thomas Sewall Adams of Yale university, before the Association of Life Insurance Presidents, today, in advocating the creation of standard units of governmental performance by which to measure the quality and quantity of the output in each department of public work.

"Public expenditures seem to thrive on opposition," said Prof. Adams, "in the very face of the unceasing opposition of the taxpayer.

"For the year 1913 the federal census supplies a combined expense account for the national, state and local governments (excluding incorporated places having less than 2500 inhabitants) which gives up a general idea of the purposes for which our money is spent. The total costs amounted to just about three billion dollars, of which the largest item was for protection to person and property—in other words, military preparedness and police.

"Next to their remorseless increase, the most general characteristic of public expenditures is the waste which they involve. In most city and state governments there are some departments which overlap, while others are engaged in work which is no longer necessary. Government employes as a rule work neither so long nor so earnestly as those in private employment. Supplies and equipment are not purchased to advantage, nor properly charged and checked when distributed; specifications for bids are loosely or carelessly drawn in many cases; labor-saving devices are slowly and sometimes reluctantly introduced; there is great waste in public printing. Above all there is not the same incentive or reward for economy in public as in private enterprise.

"The fundamental trouble is that the public has no means of accurately ascertaining whether a particular activity of government is productive or unproductive, efficient or inefficient. We must somehow devise standard units of governmental performances, by which to measure the quality and quantity of the output in each department of public work. In many departments of government we could directly measure the output with as much accuracy as most factories measure departmental productivity.

"And almost always we have the deadly parallel, the comparison with the activities and costs of similar departments in other places. In short, the solution of our problem lies in the permanent maintenance of practical efficiency commissions. Their first function should be to uphold the hands of the public servant who is doing his work well. There should be both public and private efficiency commissions. We have tried them tentatively in the past. They have been guilty of some 'bonehead' plays. But that merely means that they are just learning the game. We must rise above our mistakes—put more heart, more 'pep', more time, more money in this unavoidable undertaking, which in the end will pay big dividends.

BULGARIAN KING SENDS PROCLAMATION TO ARMY

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 15, via London.—King Ferdinand of Bulgaria, according to a telegram received here from Sofia, has addressed this proclamation to the army:

"For 15 months you have been fighting to achieve the unity of the Bulgarian people. Thanks to your devotion to your king and your unexampled valor, all the enemies who had stood in the way of our national unity have been conquered and all Bulgarian lands are under protection of the victorious Bulgarian armies."

The proclamation then says that the Bulgarians will continue the struggle pending receipt of the answer of the entente allies to the peace proposals of the central power group.

MEETING OF SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTE REGENTS

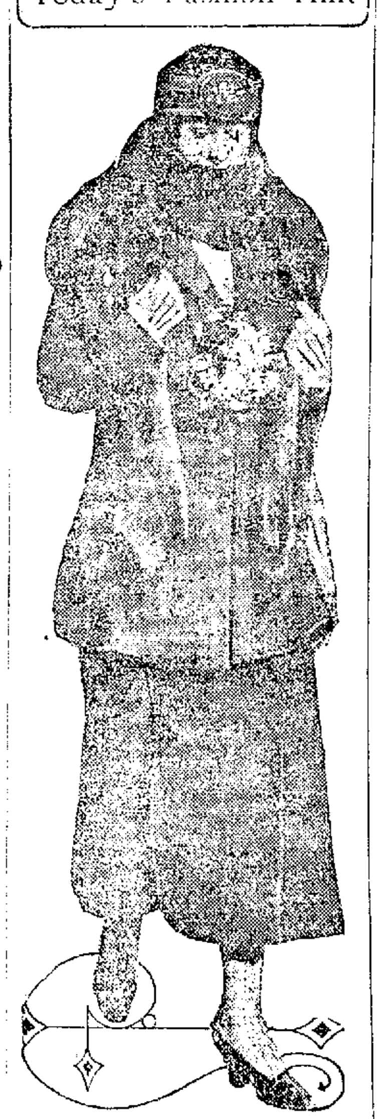
WASHINGTON, Dec., 14.—Seventy years of activities of the Smithsonian institution were marked today by the annual meeting of the board of regents headed by Chief Justice White.

Since James Smithson, an Englishman in 1826 willed his fortune of a half million dollars for the foundation of an institution for the diffusing of knowlege among men, the trust fund has grown to more than a million.

The board of regents consists of Chief Justice Edward D. White, chancell; Vice President Thomas R. Marshal; Senators Henry Cabot Lodge of Massachuesetts, William J. Stone of Missouri, and Henry Hollis of New Hampshire; Representatives Scott Ferris of Oklohoma, Ernest W. Roberts of Massachusetts, and James T. Lloyd of Missouri; Messrs. Andrew D. White of New York, Alexander Graham Bell of Washington, D. C., George Gray of Delaware, Charles F. Choate, Jr., of Massachusetts, John B. Henderson, Jr., of Washington, D. C., and Charles W. Fairbanks of Indiana.

Today, after seventy years, the operations of the Institution are continued along these same lines as its founder intended although other features have been incorporated. It is international in its scope, and governmental in its affiliations, now administering several government-supported bureaus, including the United States national museum with its national gallery of art; the bureau of American ethnology; the astrophysical observatory, the national zoological park; the international exchange service, the official medium for exchange of publications with foreign governments, and a bureau which prepares and publishes an annual classified index of all the scientific publications of the world.

Today's Fashion Hint



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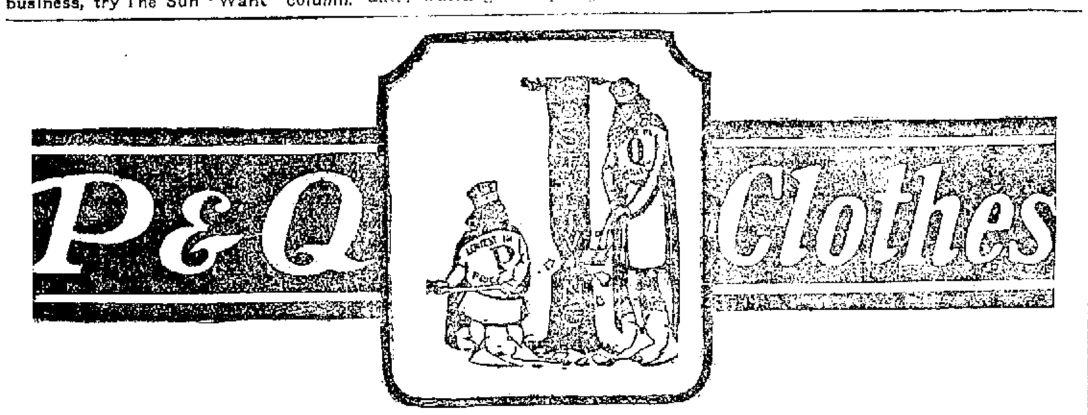

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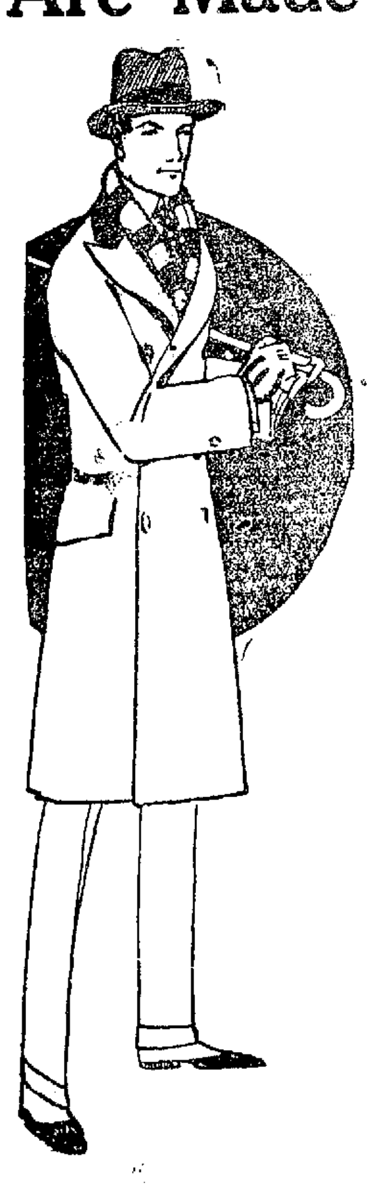

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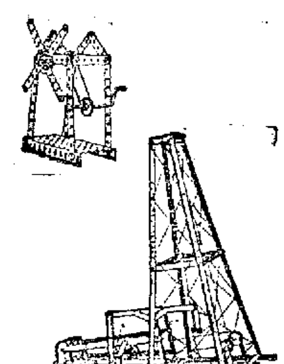

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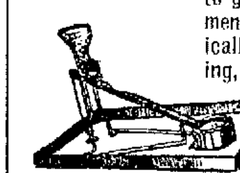

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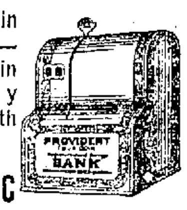

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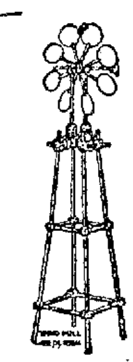

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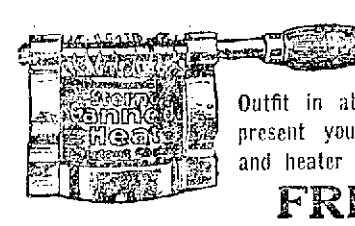

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JOSEPH T. MILES, THE SONG WRITER, DEAD

WAS AUTHOR OF "THERE'LL BE A HOT TIME IN THE OLD TOWN TONIGHT"

SANTA ROSA, Cal., Dec. 15.—Joseph T. Miles, author of the song "There'll Be a Hot Time in the Old Town Tonight," died here last night. Miles, who was a veteran actor, was known on the stage as Joe Hayden. He was 76 years old.

AMUSEMENT NOTES

LOWELL OPERA HOUSE

Today and tomorrow are the last chances offered the theatre patrons of Lowell and the surrounding towns to see "In Old Kentucky," that brilliant melodrama, which, all the week has been playing to the biggest crowds in the history of the Emerson Players. Though there is a big demand for seats, there are still some good ones left, but to avoid disappointment patrons should make reservations early. Seats can be secured by 'phoning 261, the box office being open from 9 a.m. to 10 p. m.

"In Old Kentucky" is a play that will live forever because of its wonderful story. The play is woven around Frank Layson and Madge Brierly and Lem Lindsay and Joe Lorey and while intensely dramatic there are many brilliant comedy situations which make the play one of the most appealing and interesting ever known. The play is very punchy and from the start to the finish there is not a single dull moment.

Sunday afternoon and night at the Opera House a gala program of vaudeville and picture features will be offered the management having secured five splendid acts and as many reels of the best photoplays. One of the headliners secured is Anderson and Jason, an exceptionally clever team of singers and talkers and recognized as one of the best acts in the vaudeville field. Murphy and Croston offer a delightful singing and chatter act that is sure to make a tremendous hit with the vaudeville lovers of this city. Ford and Richards is another good comedy offering. There will be two other big acts. Seats are now selling and as many hundreds are turned away each Sunday evening, as many as possible should arrange to attend the matinee performance.

Next week the Emerson Players will present "Everyman's Castle." William Anthony Maguire's great drama of today which will be offered for the first time in Lowell, coming direct from a year's run to crowded houses at the Cort theatre in Chicago and for two seasons en tour to capacity houses.

"Everyman's Castle" is a powerful play of the present day, dealing with the subject of birth control. While the play may be regarded among the risque, there is nothing that will offend anyone and because of the nature of the play, children under 16 years of age will not be admitted.

The play is positively limited to one week so secure seats early. 'Phone for them now.

B. F. KEITH'S THEATRE

No better staged musical act has ever been seen here than "A Study in Royal Blue," which Beatrice Morelle and her Operatic Sextet are offering on the bill at the B. F. Keith theatre this week. All of the participants in this are trained women vocalists or instrumentalists, and the program is made up exclusively of the higher type of musical numbers. But this act is not the whole bill. There are others of great attractiveness, including "They Auto Know Better," a satire on automobiling by Thomas Dugan and Babette Raymond, while Cole, Russell & Davis in "Waiters Wanted," put forth antics that are prolific of much real laughter. The Helen Leach Walton Trio of iron jawed performers are probably not duplicated anywhere else in the world, and Herrick & Hart in nonsense, singing and dancing have made many friends. The Xylo Maids tap the xylophone and Stuart Barrow is an artist who makes pictures with sand, with smoke and with shadows. New Pathe News pictures are now being shown. Good seats for the remainder of the week may be obtained in advance at the box office. 'Phone 28.

MERRIMACK SQUARE THEATRE

Everyone should see the all-star bill of features at the Merrimack Square theatre that Kane, Montague Love, Arthur Ashley and Muriel Ostriche all appear in leading roles in the five-act drama, "The Men She Married," a unique story of a young heiress, who was tricked into a mock marriage by a crafty adventurer, who was later brought to justice and she to the happiness that her loveliness of character deserved. Another star to appear today and tomorrow is the beautiful Lenore Ulrich who will be seen in the principal character in the five-act feature, "The Road to Love," a play of the Orient, full of strong, vigorous action, with many beautiful scenes. The comedy is one of the funniest yet shown. The Burton Holmes travel pictures. An added feature of the matinee performance tomorrow will be "The Girl from 'Frisco," a western drama of the clean sort for the youngsters.

ROYAL THEATRE

An all star cast will support Pearl White in Pathe's great, military-mystery serial, "Pearl of the Army." "The Shielding Shadow" marked the coming of the all-star cast to the motion picture. Its success has been demonstrated and an even stronger cast has been gathered for the Pearl White picture which is expected to outdo all of her former vehicles.

Pearl White is recognized as the most popular serial star in the world. The cast supporting her in "Pearl of the Army" includes Ralph Kellard, who, because of his splendid work in "The Shielding Shadow" has become one of the screen's biggest matinee idols, Theodore Friches, one of the most widely known actors in the country, Marie Wayne, a beautiful young adventuress in the film—and that sterling actor, W. T. Carleton.

Pearl White has been starred in "The Perils of Pauline," "The Exploits of Elaine" and "The Iron Claw." Each has been more successful than the other. Her role of Pearl Dare, daughter of Col. Dare, in "Pearl of the Army," is the best she has ever had. It gives her an opportunity to act as never before and also to do the thrilling "stunts" that made her famous.

Throughout the serial there is a strange and mysterious character called The Silent Menace. In one episode we see Pearl White and the Silent Menace after a thrilling struggle fall from a cliff into the river below. Again we see her rescued by the daring driver of a military aeroplane. We see The Silent Menace boldly invade one of the government buildings in Washington and steal a package containing important documents. We see Pearl White in a thrilling fight with The Silent Menace in the tower of the building, hurled down the sloping roof and saving herself by clinging to the rain gutter.

"What I like about my part in 'Pearl of the Army,'" said Miss White, "is that it has a big idea behind it. The story is thrilling and interesting in itself but it has a big theme—preparedness and patriotism—which will appeal to every man, woman and child because of the message which it carries."

And besides this corking attraction, the final episode of "The Yellow Menace," which shows the doom of the fiendish Ali Singh, should pack the house to its utmost capacity. Ali Singh has caused a reign of terror in the movie rocks in "The Yellow Menace" and he meets a fitting end. The 16th episode of "Liberty," with Marie Walcamp and Eddie Polo, also another of "Grant, Police Reporter," and other great attractions, will constitute a corking program for the last two days of this week at the ever-increasingly popular Royal theatre. Usual prices will prevail these two days.

JEWEL THEATRE

Episodes of two corking serials and a return engagement constitute the special attractions for today and tomorrow at the Jewel theatre. The return engagement alludes to the droll farce comedy "The Pawnshop," which stars the prince of all comedians, Charles Chaplin, the inimitable, high-salaried gentlemen with the baseball mustache (nine hairs on each side of the nose), and the crafty gunbeat feet. Among the other good attractions are Ethel Grandin and Maurice Costello in "The Crimson Stain Mystery," which features by the way, a Miss Olcott whose vampirish face in the serial is attracting considerable attention. Marie Walcamp and Eddie Polo in the great preparedness serial "Liberty" are getting all the plaudits for their fine work, and the usual releases in single and multiple will please all.

OWL THEATRE

Heading the big week-end bill today and tomorrow, is the famous stage star, Marie Empress, who will be seen here for the first time in months in the new World release, "Love's Cross Roads," a masterly story that holds you spellbound from start to finish. Since her entry into the motion picture world, Miss Empress has gained even greater glory than that which she enjoyed while on the stage and in this new photoplay she has every change to display the wonderful dramatic power and ability which gained her such fame.

The story of this new release deals with a man who in order to save a woman, takes the blame of a murder upon his shoulders. He is tried and found guilty. How this woman who had come between him and his fiancee, finally proves his innocence forms one of the most dramatic climaxes ever filmed.

Charlie Chaplin, the king of all gloom-dispellers, will also be with us today and tomorrow at the Owl. This week Charlie is to be seen in another of the new Mutual comedies and, as usual—but what is the use of talking about him. The fact that he is here is a drawing card, but being seen in a new Mutual will prove even more so.

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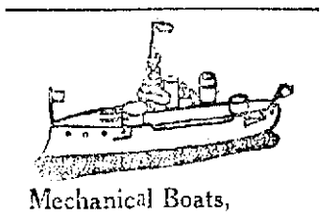

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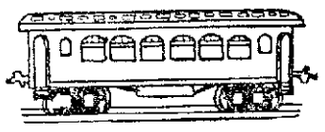

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Wheelbarrows, 50c to $1.49

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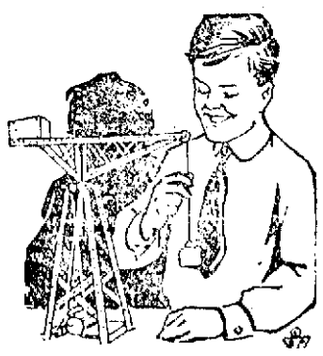

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FINE ENTERTAINMENT AT ROGERS HALL SCHOOL

Music and dramatics constituted the program at the December meeting of the members of the local branch of l'Alliance Francaise which was held last evening in the gymnasium of the Rogers Hall school in Rogers street. The attendance was large, the program was excellent and in fact the meeting proved to be one of the best ever held under the auspices of this prominent organization.

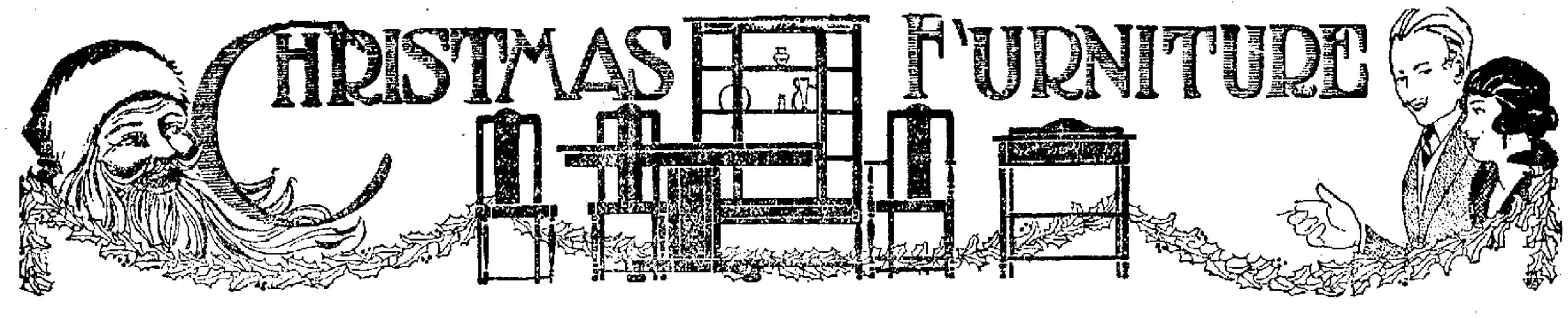
A feature of the evening's program was the presentation of a one-act comedy drama entitled "Le Sanglier," by members of the association, those taking part being Miss Suzanne McEvoy, Miss Sara Linthicum, Rene DeLys, W. P. Caisse, Jr. and Arthur L. Eno, Esq. The stage of the gymnasium is well adapted for a presentation of this sort and the scene depicted last evening was a drawing room in a country house in France.

The play was presented in a decidedly clever manner, all parts being well sustained. Miss Linthicum, a member of the faculty of the school, played the part of Suzanne de [illegible] in a graceful manner. Miss McEvoy, a recent graduate of Vassar, demonstrated her knowledge of French in the part of Berthe de Malbois. Messrs. Caisse, DeLys and Eno acted like real professionals.

Prior to and after the presentation of the playlet a delightful musical program was given by local talent. Miss Elodie Chapdelaine, a graduate of the New England Conservatory of Music gave McDowell's "Etude de Concert" in an artistic manner, while Miss Gertrude Frisbie sang delightfully "Si Mes Vers Avaient des Ailes" by R. Hahn, "Phillis Plus Avare que Tendre," by Weckerlin and "Connais tu le Pays" by Thomas.

A feature of the musical program was the vocal selections by Miss Anna Martel, a talented local soprano, who made her debut a couple of months ago. The young woman sang "Nymphes et Sylvains" by H. Bemberg and "Will o' the Wisp" by C. Gilbert Spoos. Both numbers brought forth rounds of applause, which were well merited. Miss Martel is possessed of a very pleasing soprano voice and she is a very promising young singer. Another pleasing number was that given by Mrs. James J. Kerwin in the rendition of "Ame Obscure" by Buser and "Chanson Indoue" by Rimsky Korsakow. The accompanists of the evening were Miss Chapdelaine and Sidney R. Fleet.

At the close of the entertainment general dancing was enjoyed till a seasonable hour and during intermission refreshments were served. Present at the meeting was a large number of students of the school.



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Cedar Chests............$7.50 to $15.00
Parlor Cabinets........$20.00 to $30.00

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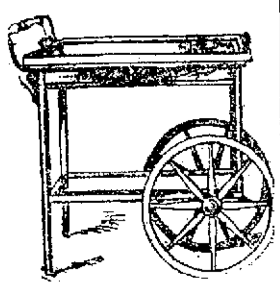

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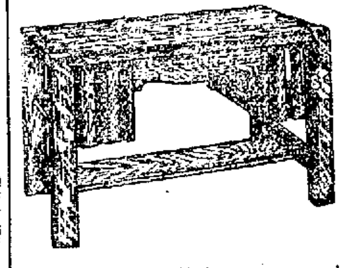

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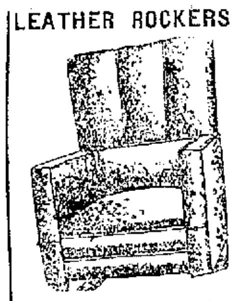

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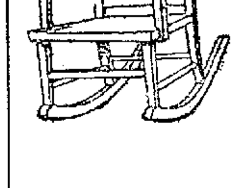

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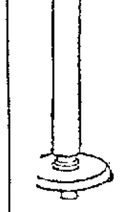

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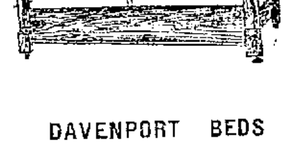

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Iron Cribs ....$5.00 to $13.00
Sleds ....98c to $2.00
Desks ....$2.25 to $8.00
Baby Walkers $1.75
Dolls' Beds ....$2.00 to $7.00
Baby Carriages ....$10.00 to $30.00
Fur Robes ....$3.50 to $9.00
Seven Piece Bedroom Suite, Ivory Enamel, $75.00

Gifts For Men

Leather Couches........$16.00 to $45.00
Smoking Tables ....$2.50 to $10.00
Morris Chairs ....$9.00 to $30.00
Foot Rests ....$2.25 to $5.00
Desks ....$12.00 to $45.00
Book Cases ....$2.50 to $5.00
Card Tables ....$1.75 to $3.50

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WHOLE RUSSO-RUMANIAN LINE IS IN DANGER

Possible serious consequences not only for the Rumanians but for the Russians are implied in today's announcement from Berlin of the capture of the Rumanian town of Buzeu.

Military writers have very largely assumed it to be the Russo-Rumanian intention to make a defensive stand along the line of the Buzeu river running in a general easterly direction not far from the southern border of Moldavia, Rumania's northern province. The town of Buzeu lies just to the south of this river near the centre of the line between the Moldavian frontier mountains and the Danube and at the junction of the railroads running from Ploechti to the Danube at Ibraila and Galata, northward through central Moldavia and northwestward to the western Moldavian frontier.

Entire Line in Danger

If the taking of Buzeu, as appears, breaks this important defensive line, the whole Russo-Rumanian line along the western Moldavian mountains seems in danger of being outflanked.

Stress has been laid by military commentators on the importance of this line to the Russians, as it has been pointed to as one necessary to be held if the Russian front in the southern Carpathians and even in Galicia was to be preserved. Moreover, it has been indicated the falling back of the Russian front northward in Moldavia beyond the mouth of the Danube at Galatz would open Bessarabia to possible invasion by the Teutonic armies.

Big French Drive at Verdun

Berlin reports an abortive offensive by the French in the Verdun region. Attacks made in attempts to retake the positions lost by the French west of Hill 304 west of the Meuse were repulsed, it is declared, as were assaults on German positions on Pepper ridge and near Fort Hardaumont, east of the river.

Petrograd's official statement admits a retirement of the Russo-Rumanian forces in the vicinity of Buzeu, but does not specifically concede the capture of the town by Austro-German troops, as announced by Berlin. In consequence of this retirement the Russo-Rumanian forces further southeast in Wallachia, along the Jalomitza have been forced to fall back.

Greece has decided to accept the entente ultimatum, according to a news agency despatch from Athens. The terms of this latest entente demand upon Greece have not been given out.

ALLIES TO HAND NEW CATEGORICAL DEMANDS TO ATHENS CABINET

PARIS, Dec. 15.—The allies are about to hand new categorical demands to the Athens cabinet, according to the Petit Parisien. The principal object of these demands is the putting a stop to the movement of troops ordered by King Constantine with a view to the sending of important forces into Thessaly.

Encounters are reported between royalist troops and a French detachment near Katerina, but no confirmation has been received.

STILL DANGER OF HOLLAND BEING DRAGGED INTO THE WAR

LONDON, Dec. 15.—Premier Cort Van Der Linden, addressing the lower house of the Dutch parliament yesterday, said the Dutch government still believes there is danger of Holland being dragged into the war, according to a despatch to Reuter's from The Hague. The premier was speaking on the budget and said the country's munitions supply had considerably increased and was daily increasing and that, in view of the international situation, it was unavoidable that sufficient military forces be kept at the immediate disposal of the government.

NEW OFFENSIVE BY FRENCH IN THE VERDUN REGION

BERLIN, Dec. 15, by wireless to Sayville.—On the Verdun front yesterday the French made three attempts to recapture trenches taken recently by the Germans on Hill 304, the war office announces. East of the Meuse the French launched repeated attacks, advancing in waves. The assaults were repulsed.

RUSSIANS CONTINUING THEIR RETREAT IN RUMANIA

BERLIN, Dec. 15, by wireless to Sayville.—The Russians are continuing their retreat in Rumania, burning villages as they go, today's official announcement reports. The Rumanian town of Buzeu has been captured by the invaders. In the last two days 4000 more prisoners have been taken. Additional Bulgarian forces have crossed the Danube near Fetesti, across the river from Tchernavoda.

SUN BREVITIES

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Racine Tires. Beharrell's.

Fine banjos—Hovey's, Wyman's Exchange.

Dewey Archambault, son of Undertaker and Mrs. Amedee Archambault, received word today to the effect that he had successfully passed the state examination for embalmer in New Hampshire, which he took Nov. 28. The young man is a graduate of the Lowell high school, class of '15 and also of the New England Embalming school.

FINAL ESTIMATES OF CROPS PRODUCTION

CORN 2,583,241,000 BUSHELS, WHEAT 639,886,000 BUSHELS REPORTED TODAY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Final estimates of this year's production of the country's principal farm crops, announced by the department of agriculture today are:

Corn, 2,583,241,000 bushels compared with 2,732,457,000, the 1910-14 average.

Wheat, 639,886,000 bushels compared with 728,225,000, the five year average.

Oats 1,251,992,000 compared with 1,157,961,000, the 1910-14 average.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

JURY DISAGREED

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place of business because he was intoxicated and that he refused to go but loitered in the corridor. An employe of the house, it was claimed, escorted Lake to the [illegible] him [illegible] was [illegible] by [illegible] he leaned against a [illegible] front of the building and after awhile he fell, striking the back of his head on the ground.

The trial of the case was completed yesterday and given to the jury shortly after 12 o'clock. The jury remained out all the afternoon and night and [illegible] out [illegible] for the defendant [illegible] the plantiff. William A. Wilson represented the plaintiff and Edward J. Tierney the defendant.

When court opened at 10 o'clock this forenoon Judge Keating sent for the jury and asked if further instructions were needed. Daniel J. O'Brien of this city, the foreman, said that the jury had voted to ask to have read and be furnished with typewritten copy of that part of the judge's charge referring to the exercise of due care.

That part of the charge was read by the stenographer. The court said that in order for the plaintiff to win a verdict the person whose death is caused must be in the exercise of due care. He must be actively looking out for his own safety. "If you find that he was intoxicated and incapable of taking care of himself, then, according to the statute, he was not in the exercise of due care for his personal safety. If you find that he was under the influence of liquor but was not intoxicated to the extent of not being able to take care of himself, that will be a circumstance for you to consider with other circumstances, said the court.

The court said that the statute interprets the meaning of the words "due care" different from what the words ordinarily mean. "If you find that Lake did not exercise due care then the plaintiff cannot recover. If you find that negligence of Taylor while engaged in the business of the defendant caused the accident and Lake was actively careful relative to his own safety, then you must return a verdict for the plaintiff."

The jury then returned to its room, about 10.30 o'clock, and with the judge's further instructions again tried to reach an agreement but without success. At 12.30 o'clock this afternoon the jury returned to the court room and Foreman O'Brien announced that all attempts to reach an agreement had failed.

Land Case Opens

The defence was opened in the superior court this morning in the land damage case brought by Mrs. Annie T. Young against the city of Lowell. The jury in this case is asked to assess the damages caused to the plaintiff by the seizure by the city of two lots of land and buildings on the Pawtucket boulevard. The land was used for the water works department of the city.

On the Watch

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SOCIETY DAY

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evening. Every detail was completed for "Society Day." The displays of the various makes were complete, the entire sales forces were in attendance and each group had something new to offer. This evening the following musical program will be furnished by the full Sixth regiment band between 8 and 10 o'clock:

March, Invincible Eagle.........Sousa
Overture, Bohemian Girl.........Balfe
Waltz, Tosoro Mio
Fox Trot, Down Honolulu Way
Selections from the musical comedy "Katinka" .... Friml
Popular Medleys .... Snyder
Selections, The Sunny South....Lampe
Medley of Scotch songs.........Lampe
Galop, The Winner .... Harris

There was a large attendance at the show last evening and several of the dealers who have exhibits were successful in making sales. No cars were taken from the hall unless there were others ready to replace them.

A peculiar experience occurred yesterday afternoon when the Abbott-Detroit Classic roadster arrived. Because of the auditorium being filled with cars, this late arrival had to be taken in by the front door, and when starting up the planks which had been placed on the steps, the slippery sidewalks caused the boards to give way, but the car continued on its way using the bare stairs as a road-bed. This car attracted considerable attention during the evening.

The Pitts Ford exhibit also drew considerable attention and comment. The salesmen were fortunate to sell several cars, three of them going to one concern, the Foster Grain Co.; a truck, touring car and a runabout. Sales of several Boston starters and other accessories were recorded. Tonight special attractions will be offered at this exhibit. One of these will be the appearance of the salesmen in their "white fronts."

The show will close tomorrow evening at 10 o'clock.

CHUMMY ROADSTER

The Inter-State 4-passenger Chummy Roadster is attracting more than its share of attention among visitors to the Auto show this week. In this Inter-State car the same characteristic earmarks of comfort and beauty are noted that have made Inter-State cars famous. The isleway between the front seats is wide, the body is liberally supplied with pockets and baggage room. The leather is brown Spanish. The body color is gun metal gray, making it dustless in appearance under all conditions.

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SAYS AMERICA SHOULD LEAD IN MOVEMENT FOR PEACE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—America is confronted today with the responsibility and duty of leading the movement for universal peace and to insure that such wars as that of the present shall no longer disturb the world, Gov. Arthur Capper of Kansas today told the conference of governors here.

"Upon the American people," said Gov. Capper, "rests the responsibility and duty of leadership in the movement for permanent peace among civilized nations. It is no quixotic enterprise to which we are called. We are not meddlers in the affairs of others when we say that war must cease. The interdependence of nations, the bonds of commerce and finance, entirely aside from the dictates of common humanity, make it impossible for this plague of war to exist anywhere upon the Globe without seriously affecting both our international relations and our domestic affairs.

"The close of the world war strikes the hour for the organization among civilized nations of an actual federation with the purpose of maintaining a world peace. And America is the one nation which can propose such a federation and effect its organization. The task is hopeless without us."

Through such agencies as the proposed league of nations to enforce peace or the world's court league, which proposed submission of all justifiable questions at issue between nations to an international tribunal, Gov. Capper declared the object might be obtained.

FUNERAL NOTICES

COREY—The funeral of Bridget Corey will take place Saturday morning at 8.15 o'clock from her home, 186 Concord street. Funeral mass will be sung in the Immaculate Conception church at 9 o'clock. Undertaker J. F. Rogers is in charge of the funeral arrangements.

COREY—The funeral of Mrs. Patrick Corey will take place Saturday morning from her home, 186 Concord st., at 8 o'clock. A high mass of requiem will be sung at the Immaculate Conception church at 9 o'clock.

DALY—The funeral of Miss Madeline Daly will take place on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 17. Time will be announced later. Burial will be in St. Patrick's cemetery, under charge of Undertakers M. H. McDonough Sons.

FITZPATRICK—The funeral of Mrs. Susan M. Fitzpatrick will take place from the home of her daughter, Mrs. Arthur Smith, 1221 Middlesex street, Monday morning at 9 o'clock. A solemn high mass of requiem will be sung at 10 o'clock in St. Patrick's church. Burial will be in St. Patrick's cemetery, Undertakers J. F. O'Donnell & Sons are in charge of the funeral arrangements.

GUYETTE—The funeral of Franklin Guyette will take place from his home, 253 Aiken avenue, Saturday morning at 9 o'clock. A solemn high mass of requiem will be sung in St. Michael's church at 10 o'clock. Burial will be in St. Patrick's cemetery. Undertakers J. F. O'Donnell & Sons are in charge of the funeral arrangements.

GALLAGHER—The funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth J. Gallagher will take place Saturday morning at 8 o'clock from the home of her sister, Miss Katherine P. Slattery, 445 High st. High mass of requiem will be celebrated at St. Peter's church at 9 o'clock. Burial will take place in St. Patrick's cemetery. Funeral arrangements in charge of Undertakers Higgins Bros.

HARDING—Died Dec. 15, in Dracut, Mrs. Abby Harding at the Westcott home. Funeral services will be held at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Edith M. Dougherty, 64 Nichols St., Sunday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock. Friends are invited without further notice. As the burial will be in Waltham, friends are requested to kindly omit flowers. The funeral arrangements are in charge of Undertaker George W. Healey.

KELIHER—The funeral of Edward A. Keliher will take place Saturday morning at 8.30 o'clock from his home, 17 Crane's Ave. Funeral high mass will be celebrated at St. Patrick's church at 9.45 o'clock. Burial will be in St. Patrick's cemetery. Funeral in charge of C. H. Molloy's Sons.

MORRIS—The funeral of John Morris will take place on Monday morning from his late home, 35 Whipple st. High mass of requiem will be sung at St. Peter's church, time to be announced later. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery, under charge of Undertakers M. H. McDonough Sons.

MORIARTY—The funeral of Helen A. Moriarty will take place Saturday morning at 8 o'clock from the chapel of J. F. O'Donnell & Sons. A mass of requiem will be sung at St. Patrick's church at 9 o'clock. Burial will be in St. Patrick's cemetery. Funeral arrangements are in charge of J. F. O'Donnell & Sons.

DEATHS

FITZPATRICK—Mrs. Susan M. Fitzpatrick, widow of Bernard Fitzpatrick, died yesterday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Arthur Smith, 1221 Middlesex street, aged 72 years. Until recently she was a resident of Centralville. She leaves four daughters, Mrs. Sarah Lochran, Mrs. Richard Lyons, Mrs. Arthur Smith and Helen T. Fitzpatrick; two sons, Thomas W. and Francis M. Fitzpatrick, both of Lynn, and 18 grandchildren and one great grandchild.

BROWN—George L. Brown, an old resident of Lowell, died Tuesday night at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. E. Shaw, Braintree, Mass., aged 69 years. Mr. Brown lived in Lowell over 50 years and was a well known horseman and dealer in vehicles. Up to last week, when he was taken ill, he lived with his daughter, Mrs. Charles P. Wright, 18 Bernice avenue. He leaves two brothers, Frank Brown of Haverhill and William Brown of Chelsea, and two daughters, Mrs. Charles P. Wright and Mrs. J. E. Shaw.

COREY—Mrs. Bridget Corey, wife of Patrick Corey, died yesterday at her home, 186 Concord street, aged 42 years. She had been sick for a long time and she bore her illness with Christian fortitude. She was a member of the Holy Rosary sodality and was beloved by all with whom she came in contact. Besides her husband, she leaves to mourn her loss four daughters, Margaret, Susan, Sadie and Rose; two sons, James and Joseph; three brothers, William, James and Edward Johnson, in Ireland, and two sisters, Mrs. Margaret Teague and Miss Susan Johnson, also in Ireland.

DALY—Miss Madeline Daly, aged 16 years, 5 months, died early Friday morning at her late home, 217 Dutton street. She was a popular young resident and a devout attendant of St. Patrick's church. She leaves her father, Thomas F. and two sisters, Annabell and Marietta Daly. Funeral notice later.

MORRIS—John Morris, aged 65 years, a well known resident of this city, passed away this morning at his home, 35 Whipple street. He leaves to mourn his loss four daughters, the Misses Mary, Annie and Ida Morris, and Mrs. Catherine Durkin. Friends are requested not to send flowers. He was a member of St. Peter's Holy Name society.

HARDING—Died Dec. 15, in Dracut, Mrs. Abby Harding, aged 77 years, 1 month and 28 days, at the Westcott home. She is survived by her husband, Samuel J. Harding of Camden, Me., three daughters, Mrs. Charles Dyer of Schenectady, N. Y., Mrs. Edgar Parker of Waltham, and Mrs. Edith M. Dougherty of this city, nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

FUNERALS

CUNNINGHAM—The funeral of Henrietta L. Cunningham, daughter of Irvin and Elizabeth Cunningham, was held yesterday afternoon from the home of her parents, 21 Marshall st. Rev. Appleton Grannis, rector of St. Anne's church officiated. Among the floral offerings were the following: Pillow inscribed "Our Darling," the parents; star, Uncle John H. Eacrett; spray, Miss A. Thompson. Burial was in Westlawn cemetery. Undertaker George M. Eastman was in charge of the funeral arrangements.

BURROWS—The funeral of Edward Burrows took place this morning at 9.30 o'clock from the rooms of Undertaker J. F. Rogers. A mass of requiem was celebrated at St. Peter's church at 9.45 by Rev. D. J. Heffernan. Friends were present from Cambridge, Arlington and Boston. The bearers were Henry Barrington, John Holland, John Dolan, Edward Barrington, Thomas Mullin and Edward Mullin. Interment took place in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery. The prayers were read by Rev. D. J. Heffernan. The funeral was in charge of Undertaker J. F. Rogers.

BELL—The funeral of Bridget J. Bell took place this morning at 8.30 o'clock from her late home, 14 Wamesit street and wended its way to St. Peter's church where at 9 o'clock a high mass of requiem was celebrated by Rev. W. George Mullin. There was a profusion of beautiful floral offerings among them were: Large pillow with the inscription "We Shall Meet Again Some Sweet Day Bye and Bye," from the husband, cross on base inscribed "Good-Bye Ma," from the son, William Bell of Albany, N. Y., heart on base inscribed" With You to the Last," Mr. and Mrs. John H. Bell, Jr., and pieces from Son George and Mr. and Mrs. John J. Lynch, Mr. and Mrs. James J. Bell, Mrs. B. J. E. Mullin of Albany, N. Y., Mr. and Mrs. John J. Hayden, Electricians and Painters of U. S. Cartridge Co., Mr. E. Mullin, Albany, N. Y., Mr. and Mrs. F. Steward, Mr. and Mrs. William Bowman, Frank J. McCullough, Miss Helen M. Fenton, James McCullough, William A. McCullough, Miss Mary McCullough, Mr. Harold Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Blackstock, and several others. The bearers were Messrs. Frank J. McCullough, William A. McCullough, James McCullough, Joseph Ahearn, William Cote and Pearl Caton. Among the many mourners from out of town were friends and relatives from Albany, N. Y., New Britain, Conn., and Boston. After leaving the church the funeral cortege preceeded to the North station where the remains were forwarded on the 11 o'clock train for New Britain, Conn., where the burial will take pplace in the new Catholic cemetery, New Britain, Conn. The funeral was largely atended and under the direction of Undertakers Higgins Bros.

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To those of our friends and neighbors, who by their floral tributes and spiritual bouquets helped us in our bereavement in the death of our beloved father, we wisa to express our sincere thanks for their many kindnesses.

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STOCKS TUMBLE AT PEACE TALK

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The stock market experienced another session of violent liquidation today, credited to continued apprehension over the effect of possible peace on the earnings of munitions, steel and kindred concerns which have profited by the war.

Losses in the stocks of these companies ranged from 3 to 12 points compared with yesterday's lowest quotations with 32½ for Bethlehem Steel. It was the third severe downward movement since the announcement of the German peace proposals of Dec. 12.

The selling came from all quarters, the out-of-town element being a considerable factor. Bearish aggressions again contributed to the enormous offerings which taxed the machinery of the exchange to such an extent that bonds remained unquoted during the forenoon.

In the opinion of some observers the peace developments served as a pretext rather than the real reason for part of the heavy selling of the last four days. It was pointed out that the market had become topheavy as a result of a large and unwieldy bull account which made it easily vulnerable to any untoward events.

Another important factor was the attitude of local banking interests which had expressed disapproval of further market excesses, this being shown in the sharp scrutiny of speculative stocks in loans.

U. S. Steel was again the outstanding feature, almost 400,000 shares changing hands before noon at an extreme loss of 4½ points. Greater weakness was shown by Industrial Alcohol, Marines, Atlantic, Gulf & West Indies, Central Leather, Lackawanna Steel, Utah Copper and International Paper. Sales to noon totaled 1,300,000 shares.

Rallies of 1 to 3 points were made in the early afternoon, but the market continued extremely sensitive.

PEACE PROPOSALS

Continued

for peace among the nations now at war, I am sure that the people of the United States would wish their government to move along these lines:

"First, such a settlement with regard to their own immediate interests as the belligerents may agree upon. We have nothing material of any kind to ask for ourselves, and are quite aware that we are in no sense or degree parties to the present quarrel. Our interest is only in peace and its future guarantees.

"Second, a universal association of the nations to maintain the inviolate security of the highways of the seas for the common and unhindered use of all the nations of the world, and to prevent any war begun either contrary to treaty covenants or without warning and full submission of the causes to the opinion of the world a virtual guarantee of territorial integrity and political independence."

In the same speech the president said the American people believed fundamentally that every people have a right to choose the sovereignty under which they shall live, and that the small states of the world have a right to enjoy the same respect for their sovereignty and for their territorial integrity that great and powerful nations expect and insist upon.

Secretary Lansing early today held his first personal conference with President Wilson since the peace proposals of the central powers were made public. It was said the formal notes from Germany and Austria might go forward before night and necessarily in view of the probability that the president would take no independent action until after Lloyd George has spoken in the house of commons they probably will be accompanied only by formal notes of transmittal.

After the conference with President Wilson, Secretary Lansing said the position of the American government had not been finally determined and that the note from Turkey had not been received. There were indications that while the president was still waiting for an expression of the attitude of the entente allies before taking any formal step he had made up his mind sufficiently on his general policy to discuss it with the cabinet.

DEMAND PEACE TERMS

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 15, via London—The Budapest newspaper Pestijirlap says that the new Hungarian independent party led by Count Michael Karolyi will demand that an announcement be made of the peace terms of the central powers, and that an interpellation to that effect will be introduced in the Hungarian parliament.

POPE BENEDICT TO ACT

LONDON, Dec. 15.—A Zurich despatch to the Tageblatt of Berlin as forwarded from Copenhagen by the Exchange Telegraph Co. says that in response to the peace note of the central powers to the Vatican the pope in a few days will issue a Christmas proclamation to all the belligerents.

ENGLAND TO CONSIDER OFFER

LONDON, Dec. 15.—Commenting upon the brief statement made yesterday in the house of commons by Andrew Bonar Law, chancellor of the exchequer, regarding Germany's peace offer the Manchester Guardian says:

"Two things appear to emerge from this brief and dignified statement—first, that the government will not refuse to consider on their merits any proposals that may be made to them; second, they will not allow the general character of the terms on which alone they will consent to conclude peace to remain for a moment in doubt. That is as it should be."

The newspaper deplores the attitude of the irresponsible part of the press in flouting proposals which are not yet made.

"Let us be as resolute as the case demands in the terms upon which we deem it necessary to insist, but let it never be said that we refused in mere insolence or levity to listen to the very name of peace."

TRANSLATION OF NOTE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—An unofficial translation of Germany's note to the entente nations proposing peace negotiations, made here from a copy of the official French text obtained from a diplomatic source shows that while accurate in substance, the previously published version had many of the document's sentences out of their proper order.

The translation follows:

"The most terrible war which history has known has been ravaging a large part of the world for two years and a half. This calamity, which the bonds of thousands of years of a common civilization have not been able to prevent, is injuring humanity in its most precious heritages. It threatens to plunge into its ruins the moral and material progress which was the pride of Europe at the dawn of the twentieth century.

"In this struggle Germany and her allies—Austria-Hungary, Bulgaria and Turkey—have given proof of their unconquerable strength by achieving important successes over adversaries superior in numbers and in war material. Their unshaken lines resist the continuous attacks of the armies of their adversaries. The last diversion in the Balkans has been swiftly and victoriously thwarted. Recent events have demonstrated that the prolongation of the war would not be able to break their power of resistance. On the other hand, the general situation justifies them in hoping for further successes.

"It was to defend their existence and the freedom of their national developments that the four allied powers were forced to take up arms. The [illegible] of their armies have [illegible] this purpose. Not for a single instance have they departed from the conviction that respect for the right of other nations is in no way incompatible with legitimate interests. They do not seek to shatter or annihilate their adversaries.

"Conscious of their military and economic power and ready, if necessary, to continue to the very end the struggle which has been forced upon them, but inspired at the same time with the desire to stem the flow of blood and to put an end to the horrors of war the four allied powers propose to enter forthwith into negotiations for peace. They are convinced that the proposals which they will submit and which aim to assure the existence, the honor and the development of their peoples will be [illegible] to serve as a basis for the reestablishment of a permanent peace.

"If, despite this offer of peace and reconciliation, the struggle should go on the four allied powers are determined to continue it to the end, disclaiming solemnly before humanity and history responsibility therefor."

TERMS OF ALLIES

LONDON, Dec. 15.—In the Globe today there is a long editorial article in regard to reports from neutral capitals of anxiety on the part of the German people for peace and threats of some German newspapers that unless the peace proposal of the central powers is accepted there will be more ruthless prosecution of the war. Commenting on these reports, the Globe says:

"All in good time the terms of the allies will be set forth, but the statement will not be hastened an hour, either by protestations of love for peace or by threats."

EXAMINATION FOR PLUMBERS TOMORROW

The examination for plumbers will be held tomorrow at city hall at 9 a. m. The state examiners have notified 45 applicants to appear.

Messrs. Hubbell and Leary examined 26 applicants for [illegible] licenses at city hall this morning.

Skating Pond

The park department is getting out the snow equipment in anticipation of severe weather. Supt. Kernan has made an examination of the trees on the North common and at the present time a gang of men is cutting off diseased limbs and doctoring up the trees generally.

The same will be done on the South common later.

Supt. Kernan is making plans for a skating pond on the South common in the space where ball games are played in summer. All that is needed is an earthen embankment a foot high and he is negotiating for materials. If present plans are carried out, this congested district will have a new skating pond for the winter.

The annual report of the park department is now being made up and it will be published early in the new year. The department is also making up an estimate of the appropriation for next year. Owing to new improvements and important matters now pending, the park board will ask for a larger appropriation this year than for some years past.

Building Permits

Among the permits issued at the office of the lands and buildings department during the past few days are:

Alfred T. Coles, one family dwelling at 17 Nichols street, $1500.

Lowell Realty Co., one-family dwelling, 10 Hillside street, $2500.

Lucy Staples, addition to shed at 9 Quincy avenue, $200.

Today's Fashion Hint

One turban [illegible] all trimmings have an oriental swathe in Paisley silk. The other tall crown of dark green velvet [illegible] embroidered [illegible] the front with [illegible] applied as altar cloths are adorned.

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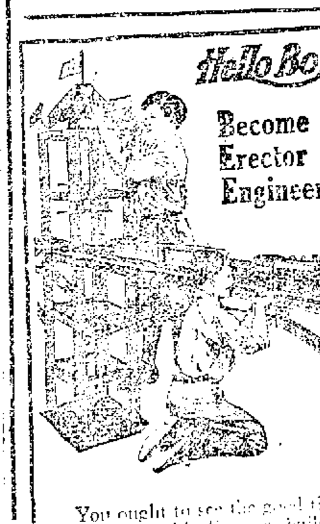

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CANADA TORPEDO BOAT, REPORTED LOST, HAS BEEN FOUND—FORMERLY AMERICAN YACHT

THE GRILSE, FORMERLY THE WINCHESTER

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 15.—A telephone message to the Morning Chronicle from Shelburne, N. S., says that the missing Canadian torpedo boat Grilse is limping into the harbor at that place.

Announcement that the Grilse probably had been lost at sea with her crew of 50 men was made yesterday by the Canadian minister of the naval service. The torpedo boat is commanded by Lieutenant Walter Wingate and was formerly the yacht Winchester.

All the officers of the Grilse and all but six members of the crew are reported to be safe. The missing members of the ship's company perished in the storm.

The Grilse, an oil burner, formerly the yacht Winchester, was built in Glasgow in 1912. She was 225 feet long, with a beam of twenty-one feet, and had a speed of 32 knots an hour.

When the Winchester, one of the finest and probably the speediest yacht in New York waters, was sold by Peter W. Rouss of New York early in the war there was some trouble in getting a clearance on account of the neutrality laws, and she was anchored off Tompkinsville, N. Y., for several weeks. One night she got away in the fog and was purchased by J. K. L. Ross of the Canadian pension board, who presented the yacht to the Dominion naval service.

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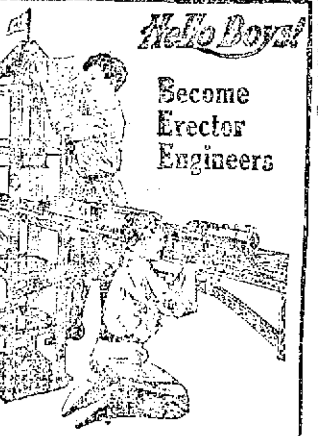

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BOYLE - HANSEN BOUT CALLED A DRAW

A large number of Lowell fans journeyed to Lawrence last night and saw Larry Hansen of New York and Phinney Boyle, the local pride, battle 12 furious rounds to a draw at the Unity Cycle club.

The milling was fast all the way, with both men fighting at topspeed in every round. In the fourth Boyle ran into a right hook and took the count of nine; he arose showing no signs of weariness when he resumed the conflict. Phinney sent Hansen to his knees in the seventh with a straight right.

Hansen was out for revenge last night for the verdict Boyle gained over him last winter, and he tried every punch in his kit in an attempt to knock Boyle out. The bout in Boston Tuesday must have taken some of Phinney's speed for he did not box up to his usual high standard.

Joe Carroll of Lawrence was knocked out in the sixth round of the semi-final by Young Chakos of Manchester. It was a pretty even thing until Carroll received a left swing to the jaw and a couple of hard body punches, and then it was all off with Joseph.

Tommy Doyle of this city has been matched to meet Tommy Gary of Manchester in an 8-round semi-windup next week. Boyle is under the management of Tommy Tully, who formerly handled Young Kenny and a man well versed in the fight game. Tully will keep his [illegible] going this winter and will match him with any 128 box[er] in New England. Tommy Hobson, who stopped George Rivet, will feature the show with Jimmy Michem of New York as opponent.

BUSY MEETING OF THE AMERICAN LEAGUE

OWNERS STARTED HOME AFTER COMPLETING CONSIDERABLE BUSINESS AT CHICAGO

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—American league club owners started home today, after completing the business of the annual meeting at a session which lasted until midnight last night.

Among the subjects disposed of at the meeting was the reduction in the price of seats to world's series games. A rule was passed providing that seats for the series in the American league park should be double the price for the same seats during the regular baseball season. The new scale for the world's series ranges from 50c for bleacher seats to $1.50 for the grandstand. An exception was made in the case of box seats, where a price of $5 was fixed.

The appeal of the committee from the minor leagues that the draft be dropped in the case of the three A leagues was referred to President B. B. Johnson of the American league for settlement. The committee, composed of Presidents Barrow of the International league, Hickey of the American association and Baum of the Pacific Coast league, after placing their requests before the magnates, returned to New York to renew their plea to the National league on the same subject.

A new form of players' contract containing the 10-day and the disability clauses was adopted and the new owners of the Cleveland and the Boston clubs were formally received into the league.

NATIONAL LEAGUE MEETING

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Despite the fact that the National league magnates already have been in session here three days they have not yet considered the proposed changes in the rules governing the world's series, the new player contracts and other matters of similar importance. To rid their program of the vast amount of detail morning and afternoon sessions were held today. Much interest was shown in the suggestions offered by Percy D. Haughton, president of the Boston club, that the rules be changed so as to help batting and strip the pitchers of some of their power. Mr. Haughton expressed the opinion that the baseball public likes plenty of hitting and lots of scoring. Pitcher's supremacy nowadays is due to, [according] to the ordinary baseball fan, he argued. He claimed that much of the pitcher's supremacy nowadays is due to artificial means. The moist ball, the resin ball and the emery ball were all criticised. Although many of the club owners thought the wet ball ought to be abolished, it was decided not to prohibit it without two years' notice to the pitchers. The emery ball is now under the ban and the use of resin may be barred by next season.

The most radical change suggested to improve the batting was to limit the number of foul strikes to one. This would rob the pitcher of a chance to have the second strike called on a foul ball. Another suggestion was to give a player his base on balls on three instead of four balls. These changes were deemed certain to force the pitchers to put the ball over the plate where the batsmen would have a chance to hit it.

All suggestions will be referred to the rules committee which will meet the rules committee of the American league in February.

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Lamb, Gray Hare, White Thibet and Ermine.

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Crisp new voiles, soft crepe-de-chines and Georgette crepes.

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A serviceable gift which will delight any woman. All shades.

Camisoles 98c

White and flesh crepe de chine, daintily trimmed with ribbons and lace.

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All styles, all sizes, all colors in all the up-to-date materials.

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WALDEMAR CHAINS .... 1.75 to 5.00

Waltham and Hamilton Watches, plain or fancy cases, 15.00 to 37.50

Bracelet Watches .15.00

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NO RECORDS BROKEN ON ALLEYS LAST NIGHT

The Woodbines and the Wolves had a close match in Les Mis tables league last night, the Wolves winning by four points. The Washakums took two strings and a total from the Dodgers. E. Preston had the best total, 311, and Adsit made the highest single string, 131. One game was rolled in the Centralville Minor league on the [illegible] City alleys, the Five of Hearts winning everything in sight from the Barry Shoe quintet. Games were rolled on the Crescent alleys in the night league of the U. S. Cartridge shop and the Bon Marche league.

The scores:

BARRY SHOE—Bellemare 256, Derrault 282, Lifienne 259, Davis 256, Doetle 276; totals 1362.

FIVE HEARTS—E. Desrosiers 276, Jack Mariano 274, [illegible] 276, Paquette 289, Boucher 281; totals 1415.

Les Miserables League

WOODBINES—Sullivan 276, Tully 262, A. Kenney 282, C. Kennedy 2[illegible], [illegible] 263; totals 14[illegible].

WOLVES—C. Connerton [illegible], Thomas 261, E. Ouimette 28[illegible], Curtin 275, E. Ouimette 275; totals 1[illegible].

WASHAKUMS—Stowell 249, Ross 285, T. Doyle 276, E. Preston 311, A. Doyle 281; totals 1401.

DODGERS—Adsit 304, McManus 275, Cullen 275, Mullin 258, Montgomery 264; totals 1376.

U. S. Cartridge Co. (Night League)

EXTRUSION—Carathan, 250, Wrena, 265, Donahue 21[illegible], Pullen 265, Kitchen [illegible]; Total [illegible].

FINISHERS—W. [illegible] 263, Rouche [illegible], Lamb 26[illegible], Sam [illegible] 241, Kenneth 275; Total [illegible].

Bon Marche League

AMERICAN EXPRESS—[illegible] 246, McGibbon [illegible]; Total [illegible].

BON MARCHE NO. 2—[illegible] 277, [illegible], Sullivan 247, [illegible]; Total 1[illegible].

THREE - MILE RUNNING RACE AT ROLLAWAY

Arrangements are complete for the [illegible] race at the Rollaway rink tomorrow night when Tom [illegible] of the Mathew Temperance institute and James Crowe of the C.M.I. Cadets will attempt to defeat Fred Couture of the [illegible] club in a three mile race.

Couture is one of the fastest men in the city, and has had a very successful [illegible] at the [illegible] [illegible] he [illegible] on the Rollaway [illegible] all [illegible] [illegible] ready [illegible] race [illegible] Crowe and [illegible] [illegible] both [illegible] well [illegible] [illegible] at this form of sport [illegible].

All [illegible] well acquainted [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] interest [illegible] considerable [illegible] during the past few days. The organizations behind the runners are [illegible] interested in the result, and [illegible] be out in large numbers tomorrow night to cheer [illegible] [illegible] on to victory.

Manager Moore of the Rollaway is [illegible] [illegible] the world's champion [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] able to announce that he has [illegible] the title holder's name to a contract to appear here. Mr. Moore is [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] efforts are appreciated [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] crowd that take in the [illegible] events there.

300 TRACTOR ENGINES BROUGHT TO ENGLAND

RUSSIAN MACHINES SCARCELY KNOWN IN EMPIRE BEFORE THE WAR

[LONDON], Dec. 15.—A Petrograd despatch to the Central News agency [illegible] representative of the ministry of agriculture addressing an agricultural congress announced that during the current year 300 tractor engines [illegible] brought to Russia. Before the war such machines were scarcely known in the empire. The [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] for harvesting machines [illegible] demand for [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] large deposits of phosphates had been discovered which would meet the [illegible] hitherto supplied by Europe.

MRS. AGGOTT ARRESTED

Mrs. Anna Aggott, 52 years of age and residing at 20 Gould street, Roxbury, was arrested yesterday by Sergeant [illegible] of this city and Inspector Burke of Boston on a complaint charging [illegible] [illegible] medicine [illegible] license.

[illegible] [illegible] have received [illegible] to the effect that a woman [illegible] Mrs. Aggott, has been doctoring people in this city and charging them from $7 to $10 a visit. Supt. Welch assigned Sergt. Petrie to the case and the latter secured the testimony of some Polish residents of Davidson, East Merrimack and Central streets and Bently court, who claim to have employed the Aggott woman and [illegible] [illegible] were followed. The woman will appear in the local court Monday.

WHIST AND CONCERT

A [illegible] [illegible] and concert was [illegible] in St. Columba's parish hall under the auspices of the Holy Name society last evening. The attendance was large and the program was most enjoyable. Concert numbers were given by Miss Mary McCarthy, Stephen A. Coleman, William [illegible], John and Thomas Prosnan, Miss Gertrude Kennedy, Fred Cummings and others.

At the close of the card game prizes were awarded as follows: Mrs. Patrick Dinehan, Mrs. Thomas Judge and [illegible] [illegible], while the men's awards went to Patrick Sexton, Michael McDermott and John Brennan.

Rev. Jean A. Deneau of St. Mary's parish, Beverly, founder of the parish, was guest of honor. Also in attendance were Rev. P. J. Heffey, pastor, and his assistant, Rev. Thomas Buckley. The committee in charge was: Dr. Frank McAvinnue, George Bolden, Fred Cummings, Michael Larkin and James Collins. Charles McGallian presided.

$337,000,000 POSTAL APPROPRIATION BILL

RETAINS POSTMASTER GENERAL'S RECOMMENDATION FOR CURTAILING TUBE SERVICE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The $337,000,000 postal appropriation bill, as agreed on today by the house committee, retains Postmaster General Burleson's recommendations for curtailing pneumatic tube service and also retains a provision establishing zones for second class matter, designed to raise the postage rates on periodicals. The bill will be reported immediately.

MORE SHIPS SUNK

LONDON, Dec. 15.—Lloyds shipping agency announces that the Norwegian steamer Kaupanger has been sunk and the Portuguese steamer Leca, formerly the German steamer Enos and the British steamer Glencoe, are reported sunk.

NEW WAR CREDIT PASSES LOWER HOUSE

LONDON, Dec. 15.—The new war credit for £400,000,000 introduced in the house of commons yesterday by Andrew Bonar Law, chancellor of the exchequer, passed through all its stages in the lower house this afternoon.

IN BOSTON

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Pork Loins	14c	Can String Beans, 3 cans,	25c
Legs and Loins Veal, cut short,	15c	Tomato Soup, 3 cans	25c
Fresh Killed Fowl	20c	Eggs, warranted fresh	35c
Pork Chops	14c	Butter, extra Vermont creamery, very fancy	42c
Corned Beef, ribs in	10c	Swift's Butterine	20c
Potatoes	45c pk.	Moxley's Butterine	28c

ROUND STEAK 12½c — From 2 to 4 p. m. No Telephone Orders Taken on Specials

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Best Coffees 19c, 24c, 31c
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Marshmallow Cream today, ... 10c size 9c; 25c size 23c
All 10c Goods Today 6c

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Florida Oranges, empires	25c	Florida Grapefruit, small	5c
Florida Oranges, royals	35c	See Our Apple Display from 15c pk. to 25c doz.	
Florida Grapefruit, weighing		Malaga Grapes,	2 lbs. 25c

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Squash	4c	Cabbage	3c
Parsnips	3c	Cranberries, qt.	5c
Carrots	4c	Celery	10c
Turnips	3c	Onions	3 lbs. 10c
		Garlic	2 for 5c

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We invite you to visit our store today—tomorrow or any day before Christmas—see how well our store is loaded with good things at extremely low prices.

Friday Night Specials

As usual, we are offering our regular Friday Night three-hour Bargains from 6.30 to 9.30. Every item a big money saver and will make practical and useful Christmas Gifts.

Tonight from 6.30 to 9.30

Men's $20 Suits $16.50
Men's $12.50 Suits $10.00
Men's $25.00 Overcoats $21.50
Men's $2.50 Pants $2.00
Men's $2.00 Soft or Stiff Hats $1.65
Men's $1.00 Caps 65c
Men's $3.50 Shaker Sweaters $2.95
Men's $1.50 Laundered Cuff Shirts $1.05
Men's $1.00 Soft Cuff Shirts 75c
Men's $1.00 Union Suits 79c
Men's 59c Underwear 45c
Men's $1.00 Pajamas 79c
Men's 15c Cotton and Wool Hose 10c
Boys' $13.50 Overcoats $9.95
Boys' $8.00 Overcoats $6.50
Boys' $7.00 Suits (two pants) $5.25
Ladies' $6.95 Raincoats $3.98
Ladies' $5.00 Raincoats $2.98
Ladies' $5.00 Silk Waists $3.98
Ladies' $5.95 Serge Skirts $3.98
Ladies' Odd Silk Waists $1.00
Ladies' $1.50 House Dresses 79c
Ladies' 75c Bungalow Aprons 49c

Men's Suits, values up to $25.00, marked $20.00
Men's Suits, values up to $20.00, marked $15.00
Men's Overcoats, values up to $25, marked $20.00
Men's Overcoats, values up to $20, marked $15.00
Men's Overcoats, values up to $18, convertible collars, marked $10.00
Men's Shirts, values $1.50 and $2.00, marked $1.20—3 for $3.50
Men's Shirts, values $1.25 and $1.00, marked 85c—3 for $2.50
Men's Shaker Sweaters, values up to $5.00, marked $3.50
Men's Worsted Sweaters, values up to $3.00, marked $2.50
Men's Union Suits, values up to $1.50, marked 95c
Men's Natural Shirts and Drawers, values up to 75c, marked 59c
Men's Jersey Ribbed Shirts and Drawers, values up to 65c, marked 50c
Men's Stockings, values up to 25c, marked 17c—3 Pairs 50c
Men's Bath Robes, values up to $7.50, marked $5.00
Men's Bath Robes, values up to $5.00, marked $3.95
Men's House Coats, values up to $6, marked $3.75
Men's Fancy Vests, values up to $3, marked $1.65

50 DOZEN MEN'S $1.00 TIES Marked 65c

Men's or Women's Umbrellas, values up to $1.50, marked $1.00
Men's Caps, values up to $1.00, marked 65c
Boys' Overcoats, values up to $8.00, marked $5.00
Boys' Overcoats (small sizes), values up to $7.00, marked $3.95
Boys' Suits, two pairs of pants, values up to $6.00, marked $5.00
Boys' Odd Suits, values up to $4.00, marked $2.95
Boys' Sweaters, values up to $3.50, marked $2.50
Boys' Odd Gloves, values up to $1.00, marked 50c
Boys' Odd Knicker Pants, values up to $1.00, marked 50c
Boys' Gloves, values up to 75c, marked 50c
Ladies' Suits, values up to $40.00, marked $23.50
Ladies' Suits, values up to $25.00, marked $17.50
Ladies' Suits, values up to $22.50, marked $14.75
Ladies' Coats, values up to $30.00, marked $25.00
Ladies' Coats, values up to $25.00, marked $20.00
Ladies' Coats, values up to $20.00, marked $15.00
Ladies' Bath Robes, values up to $7.50, marked $5.00
Ladies' Bath Robes, values up to $6, marked $3.98
Ladies' Sweaters, values up to $8.95, marked $5.00
Ladies' All Silk Petticoats, values up to $5.00, marked $3.98
Ladies' Waists, values up to $2.49, marked $1.59
Ladies' Waists, values up to $1.50, marked 98c

OVER 5000 MEN'S TIES At 50c

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ACROSS FROM CITY HALL

NO TURKEY SHORTAGE FOR CHRISTMAS

BETTER BIRDS FOR LESS MONEY THAN WAS PAID AT THANKSGIVING—EGGS DROP

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—Turkeys, better birds than were on the market during Thanksgiving week, will sell next week for from 35 to 40 cents a pound. This statement was made yesterday by marketmen after they received the first of their supply.

But for another 25 cent drop in the price of flour there was little change noted in market conditions yesterday, although today the housewife will find that the prices of all kinds of fish have advanced considerably over those of a week ago. This is because of a scarcity due to but two schooners arriving at the fish pier yesterday.

Yesterday eggs had dropped to 64 and 54 cents and Florida oranges were 29 and 40 cents a dozen. Salmon had risen from 30 to 35 cents a pound and finnan haddie from 15 to 18 cents. Lettuce was back to 10 cents, too, and had risen from seven pounds for a quarter to five cents straight.

Top of the round steak was 28 cents a pound and rump steak 38, lamb forequarters 17, legs 20, roasting pork 20, sliced bacon 25, fresh chickens 30, boneless sirloin 28, hamburg steak 15 and frankforts 17.

AUTOMOBILE TRUCK HIT TOURING CAR

An automobile truck belonging to the Foster Grain Co. collided with a touring car owned by a Lawrence man near the corner of Merrimack and Worthen streets, shortly before noon today. Nobody was injured. It is understood that the slippery street was responsible for the accident. One wheel was ripped off the Lawrence machine but the truck was not damaged. There were two occupants in the touring car.

CARD OF THANKS

We, the undersigned, desire to express our heartfelt thanks for the many kind acts extended us at the time of our recent bereavement. We are especially grateful to the members of Union St. Jean Baptiste d'Amerique and Lawrence Mfg. Co. operatives, and will ever hold these acts in loving remembrance.

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MUST SEEK RE-ELECTION

LONDON, Dec. 15.—The house of commons today passed the third reading of the bill making it necessary for the new ministers already members of the house of commons to seek re-election.

LOWELL SOCIALIST CLUB

A well attended meeting of the Lowell Socialist club was held last evening at the club's headquarters, 36 Central street. Considerable business was transacted. Resolutions were drawn on the death of Mrs. Irving Grey. The organization committee comprising delegates from the different branches made an interesting report.

LYNCH ELECTED

WORCESTER, Dec. 15.—Raymond F. Lynch, '18, South Hadley Falls, was yesterday unanimously re-elected captain of the Holy Cross football team for next season. Lynch has played a brilliant game at guard on the Purple varsity for the past three years and captained the eleven this season, although only a junior, being named to the place after Mark Devlin, captain-elect, had left college.

MATRIMONIAL

Loring—Meek

Miss Marion P. Meek, formerly of Lowell, was married to Herbert L. Loring, of Auburn, Me., at the home of her sister, Mrs. Herbert Lang Parker, 474 Main street, Lewiston, Me., on Saturday evening. The ceremony was performed at 7 o'clock, Rev. Arthur T. Stray of St. Michael's Episcopal church, Auburn, of which the bride is a member, officiating.

MASSACHUSETTS MEN ARE BEST SCHOLARS

WIN HALF OF THE 227 SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED TO HARVARD STUDENTS—CHINESE IN FRONT

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—Massachusetts men at Harvard won half of the 227 scholarships which were awarded to students yesterday for their excellent scholastic records. In the first group of the highest scholars there were 75 scholarships distributed, and 31 Bay state undergraduates won prizes. In the second group there were 152 scholarships, and Massachusetts men won 81 of them.

A third group of scholarships was also given out to men who have special claims, not necessarily based on high scholarships. In the three groups, a dozen Harvard students identified with athletics won honors.

Two Chinese students won the highest academic distinction in receiving first group scholarships. They are Lu Ching Wen of Hong Kong and Chung-Lio Tahmy Chu of Chang Shu. Massachusetts leads the first group with its 31 awards, New York is second with 10, Pennsylvania third with eight, Ohio fourth with six, and 15 other states have one or two representatives.

The Harvard athletes to win highest honors in the first group are James H. Townsend of Newton, Francis H. Cabot of New York and Robert C. Rand of New York. Athletes in the second group are Edwin O. Baker, a varsity hockey player; George L. Batchelder, varsity football end; Charles A. Clark, varsity football guard; Charles A. Coolidge, Jr., varsity football end; Newton P. Darling, champion sculler of Harvard; and Cecil D. Murray, assistant manager of the football team.

CARILLON COUNCIL

The annual election of officers for Carillon council, U.S.L.B.of A. took place last evening at a largely attended meeting of the organization, which was held in C.M.A.C. hall, with President Charles E. Barry in the chair. In the course of the meeting it was also voted to hold a joint initiation with all the other local councils next month, the event to be held at the C.M.A.C. hall. The result of the election was as follows: President, Charles E. Berry; vice president, Leo Monbleau; secretary, Aime Plourde, assistant secretary, Hildege Gendreau; treasurer, J. L. Morin; collector, Louis Asselin; auditors, Frederick Desrosiers and Albert Bergeron; master of ceremonies, J. L. Moreau, and marshal, Adelard Ayotte.

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SAYS PROSPERITY WILL CONTINUE AFTER WAR

JOHN N. WILLYS SAYS "WE ARE JUST GETTING STARTED"

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—"I am not of those who believe that our prosperity will end with the war's end," said John N. Willys of Toledo, O., president of the Willys-Overland company, at the second day's session of the tenth annual convention of the Association of Life Insurance Presidents.

"I think we are just getting started," said Mr. Willys. "We have long had natural resources. The war has awakened us to their more efficient development. Europe must be rebuilt after this war ends. We will have the trained men as never before. It will be our work. The profits will be ours. There is warrant only for optimism. But if we are to realize our commercial ultimate, there must be a minimum curbing of individual aggressiveness. The amazing advance of the motor car industry proves what American men can do if left a free hand.

"In 1906 there were in the United States only 120,000 automobiles. December 1, 1916, saw 3,352,000 cars, representing an approximated cash value of two billion dollars. Think of the growth from 120,000 to 3,352,000 cars in one decade! The founders of the industry had optimism. Optimism has reaped its rewards. Look at the changes the motor car has wrought in our daily life. It has bettered it in every factor, urban and rural, social and commercial.

"There is no greater error in our national life than failure justly to appraise the patriotism of the American merchant, manufacturer and financier. I genuinely believe that the hope of our country lies in the efficiency that we have developed in so-called 'Big Business,' and in the patriotic willingness of the men who control this efficiency to devote its full power to the safeguarding of the nation. Industrial efficiency in this country goes far beyond governmental efficiency. This can be said without any lack of patriotism. The very nature of our institutions, the working out of our democracy, precludes in government methods that permanency so essential to utmost efficiency.

"There are those who concede this superior commercial efficiency, but who condemn it as being applied to purely personal ends. They argue that the industrial chieftain has an eye only for the dollar, that he is blind to larger considerations of abstract patriotism. Gentlemen, this is an injustice that cannot too ardently be refuted. Our history disproves it. The unselfish devotion of contemporary big men is further rebuttal. The big-visioned business man rises with his obligations. He has motives of highest patrotic impulse. He is eager to coordinate his activities with those of other great industrial concerns and with government experts to do what is best for the advancement of the country in time of peace and for its protection in time of war.

"I want to be specific. I want to deal with my own industry which offers an especially valuable demonstration of how private enterprises may become public benefactions. The makers of motor cars rank equally with producers of ammunition in their potential possibilites of military services to the country.

"Motor vehicles in the present war have twice saved France from extermination. When the peril was greatest, when the onrush of the Germans in September had brought them almost within sight of Paris, General Gallieni, then military governor of Paris, rushed troops in motor vehicles by the thousands to the aid of General Foch. They turned the tide and made possible the victory we know as the battle of the Marne. Motor trucks saved Verdun.

"Let Americans take hope in the immense motor car facilities we have here. Millions of cars, hundreds of thousands of trucks, are available. Men to drive them are plenty. The automobile plants could produce as many more cars as possibly could be needed.

"Legislation should be scientific. It becomes aggression the instant it attempts more than legitimate protection to the public.

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GERMANY TO ACCEPT PLAN OF DISARMAMENT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The German embassy last night authorized the statement that it was certain, should representatives of the belligerents meet to discuss peace terms, that one of the most important subjects for discussion would be that of limited universal disarmament. The German view is said to be that any peace would be worthless which did not make unnecessary armament on a scale approaching that which existed before the war.

A League For Peace

It was suggested that actual formation, as has been proposd, of some league of nations to enforce peace, necessarily would have the effect to bring about a limited disarmament. The German chancellor has said Germany would be glad to enter a league to prevent war.

The German view further is indicated as being generally opposed to international coalitions, as they have existed in the past, on the ground that such coalition is opposed to the maintenance of peace rather than conducive of it.

Today's press despatches from London, conveying the broad intimation that the entente allies might insist upon Belgium being indemnified as well as restored, aroused keen interest in Teutonic quarters, where it was indicated that if indemnities were to be given those localities where damage has been done by war, Germany would have claims for damage in East Prussia, Poland and other places.

Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, planned last night to visit the state department today or Saturday to ascertain if possible, the views of the United States, and at the same time furnish the state department with any information in his possession it might desire.

A copy of the official text of the German note to the entente allies, it was learned here today, has been forwarded through German agents in this country to all German representatives in the South and Central American countries, and China, with the request that they formally present it to the governments to which they are accredited.

Tonight, Etna Campers, Hiber. hall.

GIBLIN WANTS CASE OPENED

Says He Was Told Goodwin Slander Trial Would Not Take Place Till Afternoon and Was Absent

BOSTON, Dec. 15. Representative Thomas J. Giblin of East Boston wrote to Judge O'Connell of the superior court yesterday asking him to reopen the case of Street Commissioner Frank A. Goodwin against him for slander.

A jury awarded Goodwin $1000 damages, the trial having proceeded on the default of Giblin. Goodwin alleged Giblin slandered him at two rallies in East Boston in 1915.

Representative Giblin in his letter to Judge O'Connell said he was at the calling of the list in the sixth session Wednesday morning and after answering his case was told by John W. Vaughn, counsel for the plaintiff, and also by the clerk of that session, that the trial would not take place before 2 o'clock.

He returned to the court house at that hour, he says, and learned that in his absence the case had gone to trial in the seventh session. Mr. Vaughn and Mr. Thatcher, clerk of the sixth session, it is said, deny they had any such talk with the representative from Noddle Island.

ROVING VOYAGE OF A WHISTLING BUOY

WASHINGTON, Dec.—The roving voyage of a whistling buoy has just been written into maritime records by the United States bureau of lighthouses and its courses charted by the hydrographic office of the navy in the interest of science.

Nantucket shoals whistling buoy, stationed off the Massachusetts coast to mark the location of the Nantucket shoals lightship, began its wanderings on Jan. 29, 1913, and with its siren constantly sounding a doleful warning to mariners, continued its voyage for a year and seven months.

It was recovered Aug. 16, 1916, in good condition, approximately 275 miles northwest of Bermuda by the French cruiser Marseillaise, towed into Bermuda and since has been turned over to the United States government by the Bermudian authorities. The officers of the Marseillaise have been appropriately thanked by the United States and the buoy, which had been unsuccessfully sought by steamers of the lighthouse service and other government vessels after having been reported at various points in the North Atlantic, is again ready for service, after overhauling at New York.

Hydrographers estimate the buoy has traveled at least 3500 miles, calculating the distance in air lines from point to point where it was reported. Her actual mileage undoubtedly was much more than that.

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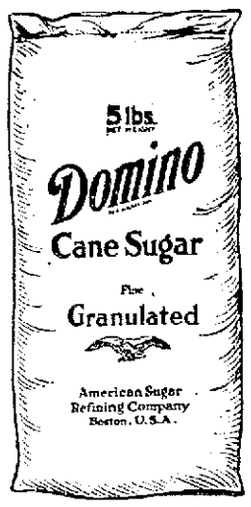

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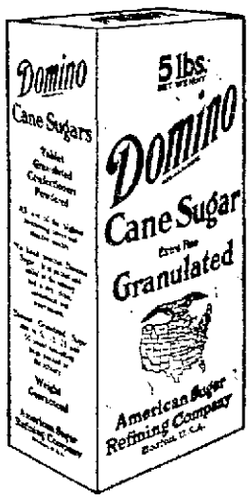

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2,451,974 BOOKS IN THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

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WASHINGTON, Dec — Gifts from many sources have brought more than 28,000 volumes to the library of congress during the year, and comprised more than one-fourth of the additions to its shelves. Retaining its place as the third greatest library in the world and the greatest in the western world, the library now contains 2,451,974 books, 154,200 maps and charts, 770,248 volumes and pieces of music and 392,005 prints.

For large additions to the Chinese, Japanese and Korean collections, the library acknowledges debt to Dr. Walter T. Swingle of the bureau of plant industry, who visited the far east in 1915 and purchased on behalf of the library a total of 5,852 volumes, including early Chinese books printed from blocks; Chinese historical and descriptive works covering the period of first contact with Europeans; early Chinese dictionaries and cheyclopedias; Chinese works on natural history and pharmacopoeias; geographical works; the writings of Confucius and the works of famous scholars; and a good copy of the oldest Japanese printed work extant, probably dating from the beginning of the thirteenth century; and a large collection of the writings of Kaibara, the Benjamin Franklin of Japan.

The Lincoln documents which have been presented to the library are of exceptional interest. These consist of the original draft of Lincoln's second inaugural address, and his two drafts of the Gettysburg address presented by Clarence L. Hay, who had them from his father, the late John Hay; and a memorandum as to the improbability of his re-election, presented by Miss Helen Nicolay.

As a rule the American composer and the American music publisher are beginning to prefer the national to a local library as the permanent custodian of manuscript scores. The chief of the music division records not only gifts of autograph scores of American composers, but promises of gifts to come.

In the document division, an effort was made to complete the files of official publications of the Latin-American countries, and it was exceptionally fruitful through a visit to these countries by the law librarian, Dr. E. M. Borchard. The library's collection of Latin American documents may now be considered one of its important features.

A number of Yiddish books came to the library in the two Deinard collections. The Yiddish literature in the United States assumes a respectable place as compared to other literatures; and even if the predictions of some come true that the Yiddish tongue will be dead before long, the Yiddish literature will still offer a wide and interesting field for historians, philologists and students of comparative literature.

The portion of the library now classified under the new classification contains 1,548,500 volumes. Great progress has been made in eliminating remnants of the old classification. Practically all of the old chapters have now been reclassified, except such as contain works on religion and law.

Depository libraries containing complete sets of the library of congress catalogue cards now number 18, while 40 libraries of the United States government have partial depository sets.

The adoption of a uniform type for the use of the blind seems imminent to the assistant in charge of the reading room for the blind. It is anticipated that an agreement may be arrived at between the British and American co-workers which will result in the solution of this problem.

In the forty-five years during which the copyright work has been a part of the business of the library of congress, the number of entries totalled 2,932,397. During the last nineteen years, the net receipts of the office above expenses for service, were $210,688.40.

"COMMERCIAL SLAVERY"

BERLIN, Dec. (Correspondence of the Associated Press).—German commercial organizations are making a strenuous protest against a form of "commercial slavery," which they say is beginning to make itself known.

Most business firms, since the beginning of the war, have voluntarily paid to the relatives of employes called into the army, a portion of such employes' salaries or wages. Some of them particularly in the Rhineland are now making the employes enter into an agreement to work for their firms at least three years after the arrival of peace, on pain of having the voluntary payments to their relatives cease. Their salaries may or may not be raised during that time. They also are asked to sign a sort of note, which is in effect a promise to repay the aggregate of the payments made to relatives, at 5 per cent, if they leave the employ of the firm within three years.

Chambers of commerce that have taken the matter up, while agreed that the burdens upon many firms of paying salaries to employes' relatives are sometimes inordinately severe, are convinced that stringent steps must be taken against a practice as "unsocial" and "unpatriotic" as the plan adopted by the Rhineland firms.

IN BOSTON

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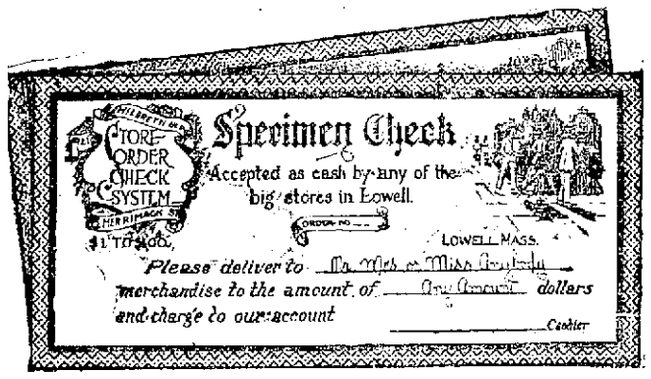

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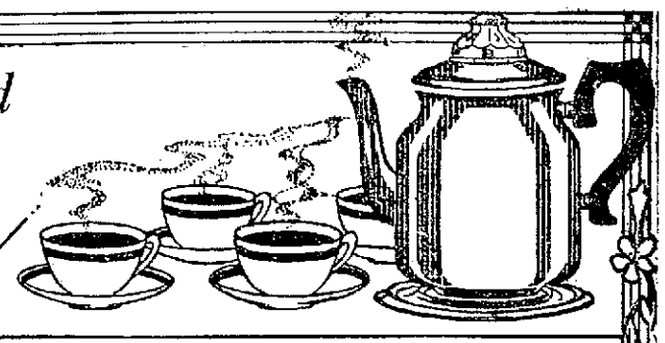

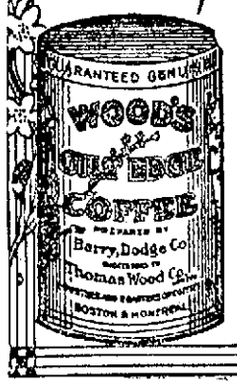

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CONG. GARDNER OPPOSED TO U.S. MEDIATION

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Congressman A. P. Gardner today introduced in the house a joint resolution to place congress on record as opposing mediation by the United States in the European war and declaring that the United States should refuse to promote any peace which does not include the return by Germany of conquered territory, payment of "ample indemnities" and Teutonic disarmament. The resolution reads:

"Whereas, the Central European Powers are suing for peace, and

"Whereas, a premature and inconclusive peace at the present time would fail to punish the Central European Powers for the unbounded misery which they have brought upon mankind, and

"Whereas, in the darkest hours of our Civil war, Abraham Lincoln, through the secretary of state, peremptorily ordered our minister to Great Britain, Charles Francis Adams, to repudiate the slightest suggestion of mediation in our affairs on the part of any foreign government.

"Resolved, that in the opinion of this Congress the United States should neither directly nor indirectly suggest to the Entente Allies that they accept mediation, and, furthermore, it is the opinion of this Congress that the United States ought to refuse to participate in promoting an unjust peace.

"Resolved further, that no peace can be considered just unless the following requirements are included in its terms:

"1. That every acre of land shall be returned by the Central European Powers to the Nations which have been despoiled.

"2. That ample indemnities shall be paid to the Entente Allies, who have been fighting for civilization, and more especially to the smaller Nations, which have suffered the most from a murderous and unprovoked assault.

"3. That by disarmament and disbandment of its troops Germany shall guarantee that the peace treaty is something more than 'a scrap of paper.'"

In presenting his resolution Congressman Gardner described the war as "a death struggle between autocracy and democracy."

"God help us if autocracy wins!" he exclaimed.

Should America now offer mediation, "in compliance with Germany's hopes," he added, Great Britain and France might feel profoundly wounded and "our friendly relations would be at an end for many a decade to come."

"Timid sentimentalists," he said, "want to give Germany a truce in which to catch her breath, for choking she surely is or she would not be suing for peace."

Just as the Civil war was fought out, he added, so this war in Europe must be fought out till one side or the other triumphs; if not today, it must be fought out tomorrow.

The resolution was referred to the foreign affairs committee without discussion.

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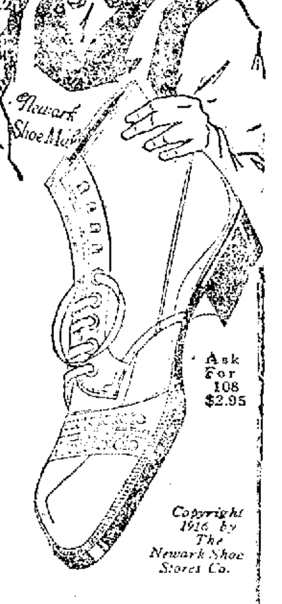

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SCHOOL BOARD FAVORS GENERAL CONTRACT

At a special meeting of the school committee last evening at city hall the body decided to send a communication to the municipal council, disapproving of the council's action in restricting the bidding for the new high school to divided bids and local bidders. Reasons for the stand of the school committee will be given and if the council so desires a conference will be arranged. Present last evening were Dr. John H. Lambert, John C. Leggat, Esq., R. B. Walsh, Esq., Herford N. Elliott and Supt. Hugh J. Molloy.

The school committee bases its action on the following clause of section 55 of the new charter:

"No site for a school building shall be acquired by the city unless the approval of the site by the school committee is first obtained. No plans for the construction of or alterations in a school building shall be accepted, and no work shall be begun on the construction or alteration of a school building, unless the approval of the school committee therefor is first obtained. Nothing herein contained shall require such approval for the making of ordinary repairs."

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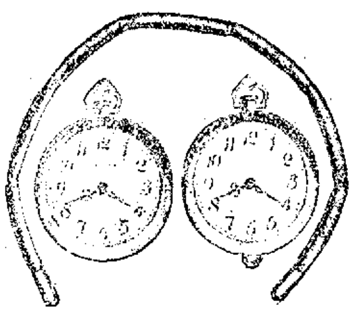

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MISS MARIE PEARY—WHEN SHE WAS THE "SNOW BABY" AND NOW

Miss Marie Ahnighito Peary, daughter of Admiral Peary, the discoverer of the North pole, is chairman of a committee of the Junior League of Washington, which is helping [illegible] toys and [illegible] of all of the hospital [illegible] where there are children [illegible] to the head of the Washington playgrounds. [illegible] in a plan that includes the distribution of toys given by the children who attend the play centers to the little invalids in the free wards. Miss Peary has the distinction of having been born in the Arctic regions, to which her mother accompanied Admiral, then Lieutenant, Peary on an exploring trip. She has been called "the snow baby," and her middle name is of Eskimo origin.

THE REGISTRATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—The Massachusetts highway commission is in receipt of a much less number of applications for the registration of motor vehicles than is usual at this date. Many seem to expect that blanks will be sent to them. Only to the holders of the first 5000 pleasure vehicle numbers are blanks sent.

It may be well for motorists to remember that no vehicle is legally on the highway if operated after Dec. 31 without 1917 plates.

From the 23d of December to Jan. 2, there are but four and a half working days, and any applicant mailing later than Dec. 26 will stand an excellent chance of being without plates on New Year's day. It takes an average of five days from the date of mailing application to the receipt of plates.

Each year the commissioners meet many people who are under the impression that the law gives ten days' leeway after Jan. 1. Such is not the case. Motors must bear plates of the calendar year to be legally operated upon the highways.

Don't forget Etna Campers tonight.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

A [illegible] meeting of the members of [illegible] Nationale Independante was held last evening in Club [illegible] hall and a feature of the evening was the annual election of officers, which resulted as follows: President, Etienne Raymond; corresponding, Louis Gonneau; recording secretary, Arthur [illegible]; [illegible] secretary, Arthur [illegible]; [illegible] secretary, Alfred Lebel; [illegible] Arthur [illegible]; wardens, [illegible] and [illegible]; trustees, Francis [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible]

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SLIPPERS, the Family Gift

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WOMEN'S $1.50 COMFY SLIPPERS, plain colored style in popular colors, now..... $1.25	WOMEN'S $1.25 FUR TRIMMED JULIETTES, in all colors. Special at 98c	MEN'S $2.00 KID or FELT SLIPPERS, black or tan, now...... $1.49

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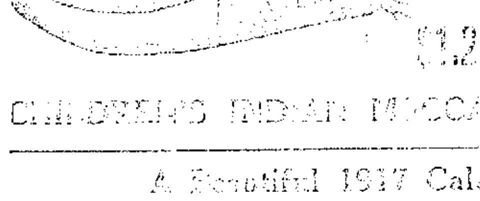
For the Whole Family. 10 Styles to Choose From, at Popular Prices



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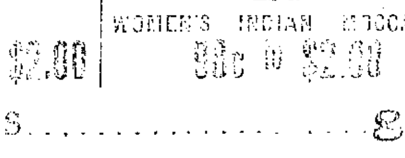

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242 CENTRAL ST. LOWELL, MASS.

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For spot cash we cleaned their tables of all Overcoats. 500 in all. We want to sell them quickly, so read well the prices. Read again.

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1500 OVERCOATS, Worth $12.50, At..........$8.00

We want every young man and men to see these overcoats. Look at our display. All overcoats are made in the latest style. Every one a big bargain. If you do not get yours blame yourself. Now is your chance to save $5.00 for your Xmas present. Come all to the house of value givers.

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The Little Store With the Big Trade.

ANNUAL TOLL OF 80,000 DEATHS FROM CANCER

PRES. HUNTER SAYS CANCER NEITHER HEREDITARY NOR CONTAGIOUS

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Two year's study of original insurance statistics indicate cancer is neither hereditary nor contagious, according to a paper presented to the Association of Life Insurance Presidents here today by President Arthur Hunter of the Actuarial Society of America.

After referring to the annual toll of 80,000 deaths from cancer in the United States, Mr. Hunter said:

"No sooner do we become interested in the wide prevalence of a disease like cancer, than we begin to wonder whether it is contagious or hereditary. Such questions must be in the minds of hundreds of thousands of relatives of persons who have died from this disease and of others who are suffering from it.

"There seems little to support the view that cancer is the result of contagion. Twenty thousand applications for insurance were reviewed and it was found that in 488 cases one only of the parents of the applicant was stated to have died from cancer and in four cases both parents were stated to have died of that disease. There were 122 times as many cases in which one parent had died of cancer as of those in which both parents had died of that disease. There could hardly be a stronger test than the case of husband and wife."

As to heredity, Mr. Hunter said: "My first investigation consisted of cases of persons insured in six companies, both parents having died of cancer prior to date of application for insurance. Of 472 grandparents of the insured, the cause of death was given in 234 cases of which two were from cancer; the cause of death was stated in 184 of these as 'old age,' the average at death of which was 82. In 72 of the grandparents the cause of death was not known, but the age was given, the average being 62; in 155 cases neither the age nor the cause of death was known. It is reasonable to conclude that if only two died of cancer out of 234 parents of persons who died of cancer, that disease is not hereditary.

"The possibility of heredity in cancer has generally been studied by experiments on animals. In the case of human beings there has been no previous attempt, so far as I am aware, to investigate the problem in families where there has evidently been a cancer strain, if such a thing exists. In the present investigation, one of the groups consisted of cases in which both of the parents had died from cancer, and in another of the groups, a parent, and a brother or a sister of the policyholder had died from that disease. It might be expected, therefore that if cancer were hereditary, it would be shown very clearly in the family records of these persons, but this has not appeared.

"Men and women who are in anxiety of mind on account of the appearance of cancer in their ancestry or immediate family, may dismiss such anxieties as there is no statistical evidence at the present time that the disease of cancer is transmitted by inheritance in mankind."

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Musterole is a clean, white ointment, made with the oil of mustard. It does all the work of the old-fashioned mustard plaster—does it better and does not blister. You do not have to bother with a cloth. You simply rub it on—and usually the pain is gone!

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MUSTEROLE

RETURN OF MONEY FAILS TO SAVE POSTMASTERS

GOVERNMENT USES EMBEZZLERS AS EXAMPLES AND REQUESTS JAIL SENTENCES

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 15.—Although full restitution had been made, yet two Maine postmasters who pleaded guilty when arraigned in the United States district court yesterday on indictments for embezzlement were heavily sentenced, the court following the request of the government prosecutors that an example be made of the respondents.

The thefts were committed by the use of money orders. U. S. Dist. Atty. Merrill said this form of embezzlement seemed to have become the fashion in Maine, and there should be a warning. The cases yesterday make four of this nature within a few months.

Wilbur A. Thorne, former postmaster at Houghton, was sentenced to three months in jail and a fine of $500 for the theft of $1903.28. His method was to send postal orders issued to himself to banks in Portland, Auburn and Rumford for deposit.

George M. Allen, former postmaster at Highland lake, was fined $200 for the theft of $465.25, with which he had paid his personal bills by postal orders.

PLACE VESSELS UNDER THE ITALIAN FLAG

ROME, Dec. (Correspondence of the Associated Press).—In order to increase its mercantile marine, Italy has by governmental decree dropped its subsidy policy and made a bid to shipbuilders to place their vessels under the Italian flag by ordering the removal of practically all ship taxes for five years and exempting such ships from military requisition for a similar period. Already 12 new ships are building in Italy under the new law and, inasmuch as a vessel pays for itself within three or four trips under existing freight rates, it is anticipated that foreign firms will take advantage of these new conditions.

The immediate reason for the new law is that Italy has been suffering severely during the war because of high ocean freight rates on grain, coal and every other product imported.

However, Italy has been actively increasing her merchant marine for the past dozen years and she intends to continue that policy after the war. Before the war she was spending $8,000,000 a year on subsidies, five million of which went to vessels carrying the mails, one to cargo boats, and two to shipyards. She has lost through submarines during the war more than 100,000 tons of vessels, which has cut down her increased tonnage obtained by subsidies. Her total net tonnage Jan. 1, 1915, was 1,282,115 as compared to 1,632,614 tons in 1905. Her number of steamers at present is 949, repersenting a tonnage of 933,156.

IN MILADY'S BOUDOIR

DEEP BREATHING IMPORTANT

Are you tired of hearing about the benefits of deep breathing?

It is a subject as old as the hills, and one of the most important factors of beauty and health.

The woman who takes long walks, the woman who runs, the woman who plays tennis or golf, the woman who swims cannot but breathe deeply, for she will need to do so in order to keep up with all that she is doing.

Vocal exercise is good for the same reason. Therefore, to the round shouldered girl, whether this condition has always been there or whether it has come from bending over a desk or typewriter, I would say, take your cue from this fact and go in for any physical exercise that you really like.

Rest assured that if you continue in it for any length of time your round shoulders must necessarily disappear as you breathe more often and more deeply; and as this better aerated blood courses through all parts of your system, not only will the round shoulders be a thing of the past and you will find that in seeking to rid yourself of the round shoulder habit, you have gained immensely in all directions.

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We have a New Method that cures Asthma, and we want you to try it at our expense. No matter whether your case is of long standing or recent development, whether it is present as occasional or chronic Asthma you should send for a free trial of our method. No matter in what climate you live, no matter what your age or occupation, if you are troubled with asthma, our method should relieve you promptly.

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CALL OF THE GAME LURES FRED CLARKE

PITTSBURG, Dec. 15.—Fred Clarke to be president and principal owner of the Pittsburg club was a well defined rumor current in this city Wednesday, though in the absence of President Dreyfuss and other officials of the Pirates at the National league meeting in New York no confirmation of the report could be obtained.

Clarke has been anxious to get back into baseball ever since his retirement in 1915, while it is known that Dreyfuss has wished to get out for the past two seasons. Barney has simply held on for want of an available purchaser and, now that the opportunity has offered, will doubtless jump at it.

During his long connection with baseball in this city, covering a span of 16 years, Clarke amassed considerable of this world's goods, his real estate investments in Kansas proving particularly fortunate, and is now in a position to buy the club outright if he so chooses. But, if the former Pirates' field leader does not care to assume the entire responsibility, he can find plenty of backers right here in this city, a well known theatrical man who has been in baseball on more than one occasion standing ready to furnish the entire amount to buy the club, if necessary.

While manager of the Pirates, Clarke won four pennants and one world's championship and finished in the first division nearly every other season. His return to baseball would be received enthusiastically by the Pittsburg fans.

WOULD PUT RETIRED PRESIDENTS IN CONGRESS

BILL INTRODUCED IN HOUSE SOLVES PROBLEM—PROVIDES SALARY OF $25,000

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—A solution of the question: "What shall we do with our ex-presidents?" was offered in the house yesterday by Representative Moore of Pennsylvania, who introduced a bill proposing that retired presidents automatically shall become members of the house of representatives, at an annual salary of $25,000. The Moore bill stipulates that ex-presidents shall have a voice but no vote in the lower body, and the measure is so worded that former Presidents Roosevelt and Taft would qualify as house members.

"While all true Americans appreciate the wisdom of preserving the dignity of the office and would like to maintain the highest respect for those who have held it," said Mr. Moore, "no real remedy for the misfortunes of an ex-president has ever been applied. We blush to say it, but one or two of our great rulers have passed away in poverty. Our ex-presidents, by virtue of their reputation, are necessarily the victims of the highest possible cost of living. They cannot decently enter into competition with their fellow men in the ordinary business or professional sense. They would be of great service to the country in the house or the senate, and their appearance therein would give them a dignified status without compelling them to lower the standard of living which they must maintain."

SIMPLICITY TO MARK CHRISTMAS SEASON

"WISH YOU A SIMPLE CHRISTMAS" TO BE GREETING IN ENGLAND.

LONDON, December. (Correspondence of The Associated Press.)—"Wish you a simple Christmas" is to be the Christmas greeting in England this year. In other words, self-denial—but a self-denial free from dismalness—is to be the keynote of the country's coming Yuletide season. Festive extravagance, riotous indulgence and thoughtless debauchery are to give place to simplicity, joy, thankfulness and thoughts for the wounded, the sufferers, and the soldiers and sailors who are fighting for their country.

The advent of the food dictator and the realization by the British people that after two years of war there is urgent need for the husbanding of their food stores, is responsible for the simplicity of the coming festival of joy and thanksgiving. The two previous Christmas s in the war were celebrated according to tradition a time of feasting and festivity and present-giving, a period of unrestrained indulgence, and of charity also. But conditions have altered, the stern realities of war have been brought even closer to the people, so that the necessity for greater self-denial is more apparent. Economy and retrenchment will be the watchword this Christmas.

Already President Runciman of the board of trade has told the hotel proprietors that they will have to eliminate gala dinners and the usual entertainments. Some of the leading hotels had already prepared elaborate dinners for Christmas and New Year's at from $5 to $10 a plate. Still others had applied for an extension of the closing hours until 2 or 3 o'clock in the morning just as they do in New York and other big cities of the United States.

But the liquor control board put its foot down on this. This body which regulates the hours at which drinking may be indulged in set its face sternly against all extensions of hours. It refused to even tilt the tid. Thus the restricted hours in effect almost since the beginning of the war, namely 12 o'clock to 2.30 in the afternoon and 6.30 to 9 in the evening, will remain undisturbed during the Christmastide.

To say that this refusal of the authorities to "listen to reason" as the hotel men and caterers put it, has been disappointing is putting it mildly, and the result was frequent meetings at which appeals were drawn up, but all to no avail. Mr. Runciman told the hotel men that unless they revised their menus he would do it for them and the liquor control board said something about taking away licenses and shutting up the places just as they sometimes threaten in American cities. The hotel men were told that it was not a question whether or not they would set a good example to others, but an actual matter of food shortage. Hotel and restaurant patrons must eat less and more simply. If they do not, others will go hungry.

Housewives have also planned simpler Christmas dinners. The prices of meats, turkeys, hams, the ingredients for plum puddings and mince pies, the raisins and nuts are sufficiently alarming, and the possibility that by buying and eating too profusely of these things they will imperil the food supply of others is beginning to be realized.

Among the signs of a simpler Christmas will be the abandonment of decorations displayed in butchers', poulterers and provision shops.

With the approach of the holiday season the war savings committee renewed its campaign. Its mottoes were: Hospitality without extravagance; humor without hate; the best Christmas present a war savings certificate. Still another patriotic organization, in its campaign for economy in meat, bread, fat, alcohol, sugar, butter, etc., distributed this placard: "If you are extravagant this Christmas, you will waste food, put up prices, and help to prolong the war."

That the churches are in hearty sympathy with the idea of an economic Christmas is indicated by the newspaper campaigns that have been conducted among the bishops throughout the country. After expressing their approval and willingness to co-operate, they invariably make a special plea against allowing depression to creep into the observance of the Yuletide season.

But in depriving themselves of many of the good things of life at this season the British people have not forgotten to provide for the soldiers and sailors. Arrangements were made to provide every officer and man at the front with a plum-pudding on Christmas day. Besides hundreds of thousands of Christmas parcels containing a large variety of food were sent to the boys at the front in all the theatres of war.

MRS. CLAYTON'S LETTER

To Run-Down Nervous Women

Louisville, Ky.—"I was a nervous wreck, and in a weak, run-down condition when a friend asked me to try Vinol. I did so, and as a result I have gained in health and strength. I think Vinol is the best medicine in the world for a nervous, weak, run-down system and for elderly people." Mrs. W. C. Clayton, Louisville, Ky.

Vinol, which contains beef and cod liver peptones, iron and manganese peptonates, and glycerophosphates, is guaranteed to overcome all run-down, weak, devitalized conditions and for chronic coughs, colds and bronchitis. Lane Bros. & Co., Druggists, Lowell Pharmacy, Routhier & Delisle, Props., Falls & Burkinshaw, Lowell, also in the leading drug store in all Massachusetts towns.

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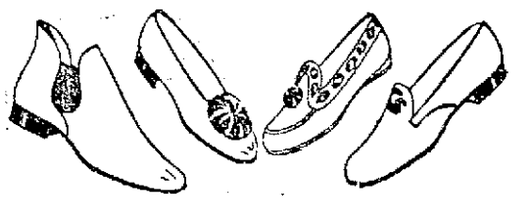
WOMEN'S COMFY SLIPPERS with cushion soles, made of heavy felt, in black, pink, old rose, lavender and gray. $1.25 value for 98c



A large assortment of WOMEN'S FELT SLIPPERS, Juliette style, fur and ribbon trimmed, with leather soles, colors are red, black, gray, brown, wine and green. $1.00 and $1.25 value 79c

A large assortment of WOMEN'S FELT and CROCHETED SLIPPERS, some with felt and lamb's wool soles, assorted colors, all sizes 49c

Special showing of DANIEL GREEN COMFY SLIPPERS for girls, red, blue and brown, with cushion soles $1.00

GIRLS' FELT SLIPPERS, Juliette style, fur trimmed, with leather soles, size 11½ to 1. $1.00 value for.... 75c

WOMEN'S INDIAN MOCCASINS made of gray deer skin, lined with pink flannel, with pretty painted design on vamps, $2.00 value for..... $1.50

Large assortment of GIRLS' FELT SLIPPERS, with felt soles, assorted colors and pretty tinsel design on vamp. Special at.... 39c

GIRLS' COMFY SLIPPERS, made of red felt, with soft cushion soles. Special for the holidays. 69c

BOYS' INDIAN MOCCASINS, just the kind deer skin, blue flannel lined, with burned design on vamp. Special at 69c

This is to remind you that we carry in stock Educators, Trot Moc and a full line of fancy hand turned shoes for the little folks that are pretty and useful as a holiday gift.

BOYS' MEDIUM MOCCASINS, just the kind your boy wants. Do not cost more than leather slippers, yet wear three times as long; several styles to select from at $1.25

GIRLS' INDIAN MOCCASINS made of elk skin, some are ribbon trimmed and some are beaded. $1.25 value for 98c

CHILDREN'S RUBBER BOOTS, fleeced lined, sizes 6 to 10½. Special for $1.25

MEN'S GRAY OR BLACK FELT SLIPPERS, or imitation alligator, all sizes 49c

MEN'S SOFT KID SLIPPERS, a gift father or brother will appreciate, made for comfort and service. Tan, brown or black, in Everett, Opera or Romeo styles. Special $1.50

JOB LOTS OF MEN'S LEATHER SLIPPERS displayed in our basement, at 98c and $1.25

MEN'S LEATHER MOCCASINS—These are made of soft, flexible leather that will wear, with or without extra sole, $1.75 and $2.00

BOYS' HIGH CUT SHOES—Sensible gift that will please that boy; tan or black, from ..... $1.49 Up

BOYS' STORM KING RUBBER BOOTS—HE WILL BE DELIGHTED TO WEAR THEM, THE BEST MAKES AT LOWEST PRICES.

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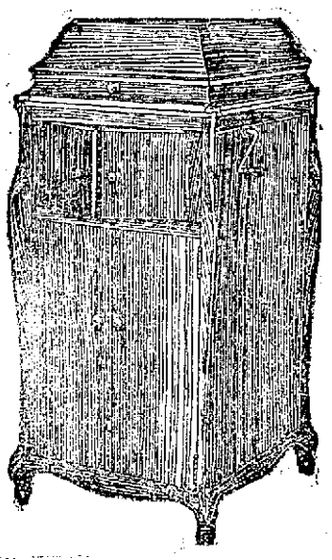

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ASSIGNMENT OF DEPARTMENTS

Always after our city election there is a lot of discussion as to the assignment of commissioners to the different municipal departments. The charter fixes the mayor's departments—those of public safety and health—but the commissioners themselves make the assignments at the opening of the new year. The number of instances in which men have been assigned to departments for which they had no special qualification have led many of our citizens to conclude that it would be better if in every case, the election carried with it a departmental assignment same as in the case of the mayor.

The Lawrence city charter differs from ours in this respect and from all accounts the arrangement to have the candidates run for certain departments is more popular than is our method. The municipal departments in Lawrence are: Finance, Health, Public Property, Public Safety and Streets. When men declare themselves as candidates for commissioner, their qualification for the department they seek is considered by the voters and of two men in other respects equally eligible, the better equipped for the office to be filled is generally supported. As a result, Lawrence elects commissioners who have some special qualifications for the positions they seek. This is particularly true of the building and street departments. Here in Lowell it is often a case of putting men in charge of departments for which they have no qualification. This can be overcome only by an amendment to our city charter by which the departments to be filled shall be designated before election, not after.

If the charter were so modified, we should then elect commissioners for the street department, the fire and water department same as we elect the mayor for the public safety department, and thus leave to the decision of the voters the choice of the men to fill the various departments. There is a growing sentiment in this city in favor of the change here indicated. The action of next year's city council may decide whether the change will be favored but it is altogether too soon to start tinkering our charter. Anyhow but little advantage would be derived from the change proposed.

EXCESS OF EFFICIENCY

Some industries are being killed by the efficiency men, the long line of parasitic efficients and co-efficients employed to watch, to count, to measure, compute and record every movement made by each employe in the course of the day.

The firms that employ these efficiency engineers must think there is a great possibility of saving in the work of the operatives. But the result in the long run is found to be unsatisfactory and to defeat its own purpose. The added expense is heavy, while nothing is gained but a lot of records that are of no use as a basis for the introduction of improved methods. The best kind of efficiency in the textile industry, as in others, comes from the employment and proper direction of skilled operatives.

The fact is, that this classroom efficiency is a failure. The "grads" go out and look very wise while trying to work out a certain percentage of efficiency for every operative and every machine. The output of "efficiency engineers" has been so great of late that they have become a drug on the market. Most of them will have to find some more practical form of employment. Men of practical experience in any line of business make the best efficiency engineers.

HIGHER POSTAL RATES

Postmaster General Burleson has brought a storm about his ears by his recommendation that "all newspapers, magazines and other publications regularly admitted to the mails as matter of the second class" shall in future pay zone rates which in many cases would prove prohibitive and be worse even than the high cost of paper.

The proposition is that all such publications pay one cent a pound for distances up to 300 miles, two cents a pound up to 600 miles, three cents a pound up to 1,000 miles, four cents a pound up to 1,400 miles, five cents a pound up to 1,800 miles, and six cents for more than 1,800 miles.

This schedule may seem very simple but coming as it would on the heels of the hike in paper it would play havoc with some newspapers and other publications of vast benefit to the country for the enlightenment of the people. The present rate may not be sufficient to pay the government for the transportation of newspapers and periodicals under present conditions. It was originally based upon the principle that it was the duty of the government in a measure to aid in the dissemination of intelligence for the public welfare. Mr. Burleson's proposition is altogether too sweeping to be seriously considered by congress.

PROSPEROUS CHRISTMAS

The approach of Christmas this year finds the working people of Lowell better off than at any previous time in our history. They are all steadily employed at wages which average higher than at any previous time within our recollection. To be sure the cost of living is exceedingly high, but there is a prospect of a change in this respect as a result of the various investigations now in progress.

The weather thus far this season has been unusually mild and thus has saved the coal bills from running up to high figures. Judging from the well dressed throngs upon our streets day and evening and from the great activity in the stores, there is every prospect of a good Christmas trade, a trade that will bring Christmas cheer to the hearts and homes of the poorest in our city to an extent rarely, if ever, equalled.

JOFFRE THE HERO

There is no lack of appreciation by the French nation or people in the retirement of General Joffre. It is felt that the strain upon him since the beginning of the war and the terrible ordeals he has gone through entitle him to a rest. Hence a younger man will be put in his place. General Joffre does not retire as some others have done under a cloud. He has brought glory to France and will go down in history as the savior of the republic at a time when its destruction was sought by the most formidable foe that ever attacked any nation. France has reason to felicitate herself that she has not only a Joffre but other generals fully equipped to take his place. Gen. Petain, if reports be true, is a man of Napoleonic impetuosity and strategic skill.

SKATING PARKS

This is the proper time for the park department to arrange for all the skating parks it can provide in order to prevent children from going to the rivers and lakes. Let us hope the season will bring no drownings through thin ice. Let everybody wait for "Shedds."

The United States treasury is troubled with the large supply of gold accumulated from the shipments from Europe in payment of loans. It is estimated that there is at present about $8,000,000,000 available for monetary purposes. This has considerable to do with putting up the cost of living.

The United States Cartridge company has done a wise thing in putting a stop to the raffle evil which had become so common as to be a veritable form of gambling. The company has also forbidden the sending around of subscription papers for presents for foremen or bosses. That, too, will prevent abuses and imposition. The Christmas number of Factory Notes just out is a highly interesting issue.

Reports persist that Vance McCormick will become secretary of war in the new Wilson cabinet. If he proves as good a fighter in that office as he was on the democratic national committee, he may get us into trouble with some of the powers. He is certainly a scrapper.

Christmas trees are coming in from various points to the cities of New England. If reports be true, the trees are purchased at the rate of from five to eight cents only to be sold at 50 cents to the consumer after going through the hands of the shippers and middlemen.

The first war levy on the people of Bucharest is $450 per citizen, which in that nation is probably as good as twice the amount in this country.

Seen and Heard

They are saying "Peace! Peace!" But there is no peace.

A Boston newspaper informs us that a Williamstown woman has "shot a deer for the third year in succession." Must be exasperating to both the dear woman and the deer.

Nor Lowell for Lawrence

Well, Lawrence won't be "the dumping ground" for Lowell after all.—Lawrence Sun American.

Wonderful Discovery

A Courier-Citizen correspondent discovers that "the largest vote for license in Lowell was given in the wards giving the largest vote for Brown and Warnock."

Absolutely Unnecessary

The town council of a small Scotch community met to inspect a site for a new hall. They assembled at a chapel, and as it was a warm day a member suggested that they should leave their coats there.

"Some one can stay behind and watch them," suggested another.

"What for?" demanded a third. "If we are all going out together, what need is there for anyone to watch the clothes?"—(Tit-Bits.)

A Use for the Hyphen

Dana A. McCarthy, of Cambridge, who spoke at the recent no-license rally in this city, told this story. A school teacher was testing her scholars in spelling. One little girl had the word "birdcage" and she spelled it correctly, name the hyphen in the right place. The teacher said: "That is right, Isabelle. Now can you tell me what the hyphen is for?" The little girl thought a moment and answered: "Oh, that is for the little bird to sit on."

Wouldn't Dodge That Tax

A prominent business man of this city who has remained a bachelor until well along in life was talking with a friend the other day about the income tax.

"Well, Jim," said the friend, "next thing we know there will be a tax on bachelors. Even now some states are proposing such a tax, to be increased a certain per cent. every ten years of bachelorhood."

"That may be all right," commented Jim.

"But, man at your age you would have to pay the state a hundred dollars a year to remain single."

"Well," said Jim, quietly, "it's worth it."

The Queen's Fleets

Take for thy throne, my queen, this niche my hand
Hath carved for thee,
Here in the gray breast of this dune of sand
That fronts the sea.
In sovereign state door the solitude
Hedging thee round, as once thy maidenhood,
Make me no partner of thy thought or speech
This hour when day and darkness meet.
But count me merely jetsam of the beach,
Here at thy feet.

It is mute beauty's hour. No late bird sings;
Voiceless, serene,
The sea dreams; silence holds all lovely things—
And thou art queen;
For Silence, in the twilight's gold and red
Behind thee sets a crown upon thy head.
Send forth, O Queen! thy fleets of thought,
And let me wait to hail them home again
With riches fraught.

By Fancy captained, send thy fleets afar
To win the sea;
Send them to know what spoils in ocean are,
What mystery,
What beauty in all things that "suffered change"
In coral caves to something rich and strange.
Then bring them home, and I with kingly might
Will take their treasure, as it lies
Safe-harbored in the starlit, purple night
Of thy dear eyes.

From "Songs of Wedlock," by T. A. Daly.

Factory Notes

The Christmas number of "Factory Notes," the breezy monthly magazine issued by the United States Cartridge company, has just reached this office, and it is not only the most attractive of the series, but one of the most readable booklets of the kind that comes to the exchange desk.

The cover shows a seasonable design in green and red. In the centre is old Santa himself crowned with holly and holding two lighted candles, and there is a holly border with red berries and a peal of bells. On the inside of the cover is a wish from the executives of the company to the employes for "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

As usual, "Factory Notes" is all that the name implies. It is attractive in form, well illustrated, full of interest and sparkling with wit and humor. Scores of employes are touched up in the personal notes or cartoons, and the news is really news, live, full of "pep" and well written. There are several special articles that ought to interest many outside of the Cartridge shop circle, and there are topical poems and limericks that prove the existence of genuine talent among the contributors. The various cuts are clear and interesting and of the cartoons it is only necessary to mention that of Officer Joe Boyd's triumphal progress to the O.M.I. Cadets' ball.

A notice against the selling of raffle tickets, posted by order of Superintendent Gerald Cahill, will find ready approval elsewhere. It runs as follows:

Notice: A number of complaints have been received by the executives concerning the promiscuous selling of raffle tickets throughout the factory.

This has grown to be an imposition and an abuse, and must, therefore, be discontinued.

The selling of raffle tickets on, or in, the company's property is hereby absolutely prohibited.

Was a Member of the Fighting 15th

John Christopher of 994 Moody St., Lowell, Relates Interesting Experiences

The most important thing that persons can do for themselves, and about which they are often very neglectful, is to watch the condition of the stomach and bowels. The weary eyes, the bad breath, the frequent headaches,

JOHN CHRISTOPHER.

the sore back, the lassitude and listlessness, the nights of sleeplessness, the growing irritableness, and nervousness, cold hands and feet, the lack of appetite, all these are monitors of a deranged stomach and bowels, and given a general name, is nervous debility. Many remedies can be obtained, but the best, in the opinion of most people, is Plant Juice, the new herbal stomach remedy. Thousands of people have been benefited by the use of this great preparation.

Among those is Mr. John Christopher, who lives at No. 994 Moody street, Lowell, who served in the 15th Inf. (Manco), 19th Corps, under Gen. Banks, where he participated in the glorious record made by the "Fighting 15th." He is prominent in G.A.R. circles, being a member of Post No. 42. He relates many interesting experiences and hardships which he endured, are now history and but a memory are treasured in the minds of the younger generation. He said:

"For years I have been troubled with my stomach; could not digest my food and suffered agony after eating. I was badly bloated with gas, my appetite was poor, liver was inactive, and I had a burning sensation in the pit of my stomach. When I awoke in the morning I always felt dizzy, and had headaches all of the time. I could not sleep at night and got in a very badly run-down condition, so that I was unable to work. I read so much about your Plant Juice in the home papers, that I decided to give it a trial. After taking it for a few weeks, I can truthfully say that I am greatly relieved; my appetite is fine, I sleep well at night, and am not troubled with gas or bloating. I feel better and stronger in every way, and cannot praise Plant Juice too highly."

The Plant Juice Man is at The Dows Drug Store, in Merrimack Sq., where he is daily meeting the local public, and introducing and explaining the merits of this remedy. On Saturday he will remain at the store until 10 p. m. to meet those who are unable to call during the day.

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That a person can have is good eyesight for Christmas. Perfect fitting glasses here. We can aid in making you happy.

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They Do Say

That Charles and Newell are at it again.

That the Kimballs were "champs" last night.

That little things sometimes cause big miseries.

That the broken toy dog has not yet been replaced.

That 19 acres for $300 is very cheap—go to it, Bert.

That if you keep at it you're bound to land somewhere.

That peace proposals may be in order at city hall soon.

That Lowell high expects a good track team this year.

That both Duncan and Putnam lost out like good sports.

That the street railway men are still wearing those smiles.

That a few of the sub department heads are a little uneasy.

That the local extension classes are proving most successful.

That it is a dreamy pleasure to watch the snow falling.

That there are homelier sights than a mill lighted up at night.

That Owen Monahan may be worrying—but he does not look it.

That eight hour's sleep each night is one of the steps to long life.

That the high school regiment ball promises to be a brilliant event.

That there never was a war innocent people didn't have to pay for.

That every year seems like an old friend when it comes near the close.

That "Le Sanglier" made a hit at the Rogers Hall school last evening.

That responsibility is so heavy it makes some people round-shouldered.

That postal patrons will do well to read Postmaster Meehan's suggestions.

That it is really a fine thing we do not all see things from the same viewpoint.

That the drawn issue between the mayor and the chief has come to a head.

That the cops are looking for the man who kicked the "I" out of Kelly.

That dimples are the ruin of many a man—somebody else's dimples of course.

That the "kiddoes" have taken out their sleds and are making great use of them.

That some Lowell anglers are hoping Lake Mascuppic will be stocked with hornpouts.

That the fishermen of Lowell would like to try their luck for pickerel in Forge pond.

That better car service during the Christmas season would be appreciated by shoppers.

That members of the municipal council have good memories when it comes to casting up.

That Joseph Payette is president of Club Citoyens-Americains and also of the executive committee.

That the worst of going to the auto show is that you have to come away without one of the new cars.

That whether in or out of the thrift club, the best thing a young man can do is to cultivate the saving habit.

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With pearl, plain and fancy handles, at a variety of prices.

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Indoors and out. The kind you can read and then tell your neighbor JUST what the temperature is.

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The flexible kind that save shoes and rubbers.

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AGREE TO FIREMEN'S RAISE

Brockton Common Council's Action Practically Assures the Force of More Pay

BROCKTON, Dec. 15.—Permanent firemen are practically assured of an increase in salary of $200 by action of the common council last night, when the aldermen's vote for the increases was concurred in. Mayor John S. Burbank can now make the ordinance operative. The following salaries are provided for: Captain, $1600; lieutenant, $1500; engineman, $1450, and privates, $1400. Another ordinance granting the same increase to the policemen was referred to the concurrence.

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Only a few pointers today but they tell an interesting story.

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$25, $40, $55
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RING'S

AT THE BIG CLOCK

110-112 Merrimack Street

FRED MITCHELL GOES TO THE CHICAGO CUBS

BRAVES RECEIVE OUTFIELDER JOE KELLY AND CASH CONSIDERATION

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—In exchange for Joe Kelly, an outfielder, who batted in 54 games this past season for .254, and with a cash consideration also mentioned, the Braves have allowed Fred Mitchell, Harvard coach and Stallings' assistant, to go to the Chicago Cubs. The assumption is that Mitchell will manage the team, succeeding Joe Tinker, although it is admitted that "Mitch" is not Owner Weeghman's first choice for the position.

Weeghman was prepared to assume George Stallings' contract with the Braves, which has still four seasons to run, and to pay the Braves' boss a considerably greater salary than he is receiving, but none of the large stockholders in the club were willing to listen to a plan which, if carried out, would fatally weaken the club.

While the business relations between President Haughton and Manager Stallings have been marked by one or two differences of opinion, there has been no such breach between them as need prevent their harmonious co-operation in the future, it is believed.

Pitched for Phillies

Mitchell, after experience with the Lawrence, New England League club in 1897, broke in as a pitcher for the Phillies nearly 15 years ago. In spite of the fact that he was a failure the Red Sox later tried him with the same result. Mitchell also pitched for the Athletics and later for Brooklyn, but was sent to the Toronto club. It was then that he became a catcher and was purchased by the Yankees in 1910. He caught for them in the city series with the Giants that year, but soon drifted to the Buffalo International League club, from which he was purchased by the Braves for $500 as a substitute backstop and coach.

Mitchell received credit for developing James and Rudolph, who, with Tyler, pitched the Braves into the 1914 world's championship.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

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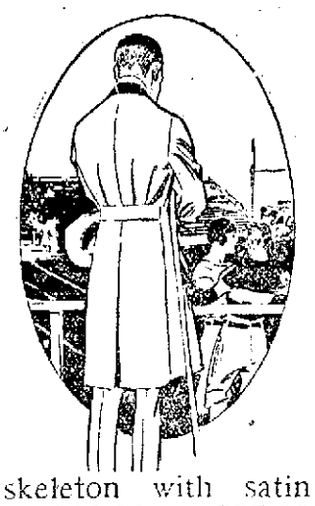
WITH A GOOD OVERCOAT FOR CHRISTMAS?



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Stunning new patterns in "Pinchback" Overcoats, **$12, $15, $18**

Smart Box Overcoats

Fine Shetlands, Scotch effects and plain cloths—single or double breast—Many made skeleton with satin yokes.....**$12.00 to $35.00**

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UNITED STATES HAS THE RIGHT TO INITIATE MOVEMENT FOR PEACE

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 15.—The right of a neutral which has suffered from the effects of the European war, particularly the right of the United States, to initiate a movement for peace was asserted here last night before the League to Enforce Peace by Senator Stone, chairman of the senate foreign relations committee.

"Since the war has almost from the beginning, resulted in continuing offensive attacks on the rights and dignity of this sovereignty and in inflicting incalculable injury to our national interests—all of which we have borne with patience because of our friendship for the nations involved," said Senator Stone, "it seems to me that after enduring these attacks and suffering these losses for nearly two and a half years, with no end yet in sight, that we have a right, without regard to any question of sympathy or humanity, but solely on our own account and to safeguard our own interests, to approach the combatants as a mutual friend and open negotiations with a view to the re-establishment of normal international conditions.

"Our relations to the combat are such, and our interests are so involved, that I think we have a right to speak—a right so clear as to entitle us to speak without asking and without just offense. We would not speak impertinently as intermeddlers, but as a friend who suffered grievously and innocently from the ruthless acts of war."

The senator declared he wished it distinctly understood that he spoke on his own personal responsibility, but said he later might speak "in another forum," on whether any neutral or group of neutrals should "attempt any affirmative action to end the present war." He said he would not discuss the wisdom or unwisdom of an approach of the belligerents with peace proposals, but merely of "the propriety of the right," and pointed out that distinguished men in this country and in the warring countries have warned that such a movement would not only be futile but offensive.

"I am not disposed," he added, "to accept without questioning, either the accuracy of these statements or the soundness of the reasons on which they are predicated. Two families with a feud between them might, so long as they kept the peace and observed the law, resent any effort of an outsider to harmonize them; but if they should break forth into open war, so as to disturb the general peace and visit universal harm upon the whole neighborhood, the law-abiding members of the community would have a right to call a halt without being guilty of impertinence. Why should not the same rule apply, morally and legally, to the family of nations?"

The United States, the senator said, has suffered from acts committed which "have been grossly offensive to our national pride and hurtful beyond estimate to our national interests." He instanced censorship of the mails, ships seized or sunk on the high seas, peaceful commerce with neutrals interrupted or interdicted, and American citizens—"men, women and children guilty of no offense—killed on land and sea without warning and without justification."

"There have been times," he continued, "when our patience has been strained to the limit, and when danger to our own national peace lurked in the thickening shadows of every passing day. Yes, there have been times when our peace was preserved only by the clear vision, the steady hand, the resolute heart of one man. Do not such things give us some right of our own to speak a kindly word in behalf of peace."

"I cannot escape the view," Senator Stone concluded, "that a neutral nation, suffering on so large a scale the evils of war, is not obligated from any just point of view to stand helplessly aloof, denied all right to offer even a suggestion until invited to speak. On the contrary I hold that whenever a nation, or any group of neutral nations, becomes the unoffending victim of any wars, it or they, acting singly or in concert, can as of right make representations to the nations at war, to discuss the questions at issue and strive for a basis upon which honorable peace may be restored to the world.

"If you ask what the neutral nation or nations might do if their approachment should be resented as offensive, I answer that that would be a question for after consideration. The question is not difficult to answer. Various things might be done if any or all belligerents persisted in a course which might be regarded as not only offensive to but hurtful to the neutral nations offering their friendly services. I do not now care to go to the length of indicating what might be done.

"My purpose is venturing upon this theme is solely to combat the nation that in the circumstances of this war neutral nations cannot properly move, even in the most friendly spirit, to terminate a struggle disastrous not only to the nations engaged in it but enormously hurtful to the whole world until such outside intervention has been invited. I cannot subscribe to that doctrine."

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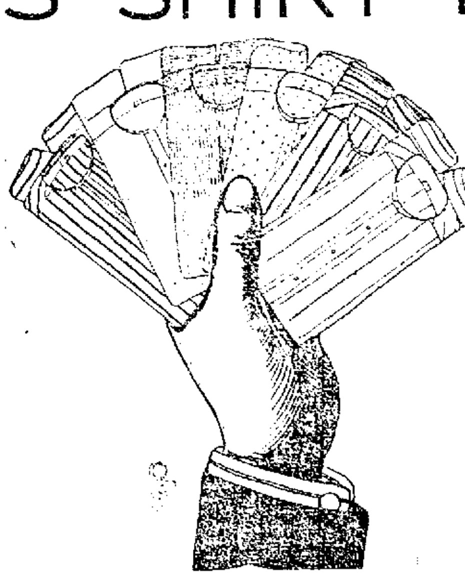

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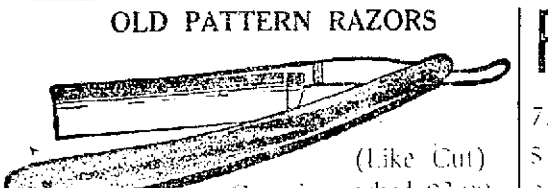

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Our fashionable clothing gives you that neat appearance needed especially at Xmas time; and our easy credit terms leave you plenty of cash to enjoy the holiday.

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OPEN MONDAY AND SATURDAY EVENINGS

HUB FIREMEN TRAPPED IN CELLAR FIRE

ONE IMPRISONED IN BARREL—OTHER WENT TO RESCUE—BOTH OVERCOME

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—Thirteen families, numbering more than 50 persons, were driven from their homes, and Captain H. J. Teehan with Hoseman James Nolan, both of Engine 4, Roxbury, were overcome by smoke, last night about 11 o'clock at a fire in the basement and first floor of the grocery and provision store of the Warren Supply company, 11 Warren street, Roxbury.

The cause of the fire has not been determined. It is said to have been the second fire within the month that has occurred in this store. The damage is estimated to be about $5000 to stock and building. The store is owned by Genness Morrill. The Hymen brothers own the building.

Passersby, who discovered the fire, rang in the alarm and then quickly returned to the building to arouse the tenants to a sense of their danger. Within a brief time the 13 families and their children, in various states of undress, were out on the street. They were invited into the homes of neighbors.

Engine 4 of Roxbury was the first apparatus to respond. Hoseman Nolan broke through a transom window leading to the cellar where the fire was raging. He let himself drop into the basement from the sidewalk preparatory to playing a hose on the fire. When he dropped he fell into an empty barrel.

While firemen outside were shouting to him that they were passing the hose line, he struggled to release himself from imprisonment in the barrel. He rolled about in the barrel among empty boxes and empty barrels in the smoke-filled cellar, but was unable to liberate himself.

He soon lost consciousness. Capt. M. J. Teehan of the same company, fearing that something was amiss with Hoseman Nolan, let himself fall into the basement. He groped about for Nolan. He located him, but could give no assistance, as he was losing consciousness in the dense smoke. He fell unconscious to the cellar floor near Nolan.

A choking volume of illuminating gas from a broken pipe was filling the cellar, in and about where the prostrate men lay. Acting Deputy Chief Mulligan and his driver, Thomas Flanagan, went into the cellar.

Chief Mulligan and Flanagan seized the barrel that held Nolan a captive and one holding Nolan by the shoulders and the other pulling the barrel they freed him. They reached him out to their comrades on the sidewalk. Captain Teehan was soon placed on the walk beside Nolan.

Dr. E. R. Gookin seized a pulmotor from one of the fire wagons and used it on the unconscious men. Nolan, partly revived, was taken to the City hospital in a police ambulance and Captain Teehan was brought there in an auto by the acting deputy. They both were reported as resting comfortably early this morning.

WILSON GAINS A VOTE

Official Returns in West Virginia Show Highest Democrat Elector Above Lowest Republican

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Dec. 15.—Official announcement was made here last night that the total vote cast in West Virginia in the recent election for president was: Charles E. Hughes, republican, 143,124; Woodrow Wilson, democrat, 140,403.

President Wilson, however, will receive one electoral vote, as Col. S. A. Scott, republican elector, who was placed on the ticket following the resignation of J. W. Dawson, received a smaller vote than Orlando de Pue,

THE FRENCH MAID SAYS

CONTROL OF THE LIPS

Real beauty which is always of character, can be engraven upon the mouth by right living and right thinking. Physically the lips may be cared for properly so that they are soft and red, well shaped by proper care of the teeth, by correct massage, by a little thought in their management, both in laughing and speaking.

This last named method may seem to smack of artificiality but this is not necessarily so. Have we not seen some singers who grimace horribly over their utterances while others make charming mouths which really enhance each word as it issues forth? In the one case the singer has been taught to handle her lips correctly or perhaps has been taught not even the rudiments of handling them at all, all effort being concentrated in the forming of the tone. In the other instance the facial expression has been taken into account and while the tone is not sacrificed, the pleasing effect of the music is not marred by grotesque mouthings and lip stretchings.

If such lip control is possible in singers, it is also possible in those who do not sing. The woman who will persevere can learn to speak and use the lips becomingly, thus not only enunciating clearly, but with graceful movement. She will take pains to keep her lips, when in repose, in an expression of good cheer and courage rather than allow them to slackly droop in sadness and gloom.

We are all familiar with the nervous mouth that is drawn far to one side when talking. Others pucker the lips when thinking and often while talking. The former is bound to make the mouth incline permanently more to one side than the other. The latter habit will wrinkle the lips and age them far more quickly than the passing years.

Others seem to pout continually. All these unbecoming little habits bring about anything but an attractive expression. Every woman should watch for and correct such bad habits before they become fixed and almost unchangeable.

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TO UNIONIZE FEDERAL EMPLOYES IN BOSTON

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—A meeting of representatives of workers in various departments of the government service in this city will be held at Wells Memorial hall tonight to form a union and affiliate with the American Federation of Labor. The object is to secure better hours and working conditions.

The men in the postoffice department, it is declared, work but eight hours a day, according to law, and all men employed by private contractors who work on government work are allowed to work but eight hours a day. But the employes of the government are forced to work any number of hours that their immediate superiors may order them.

This, as well as placing the members in a position to participate in legislative work for betterments, is given as the reason for organizing.

The constitution granted by the A.F. of L. to workers in the government service contains a clause which forbids strikes or boycotts.

The A.F. of L. co-operating with the Federal Employes' union in 1912, succeeded in having congress pass a law which offset executive orders issued by Presidents Roosevelt and Taft, which forbid employes from organizing, and the workers from taking any grievances or demands to congress, other than through department heads.

In the immigration and customs service the others are forced to work seven days a week and many of them from 15 to 18 hours a day.

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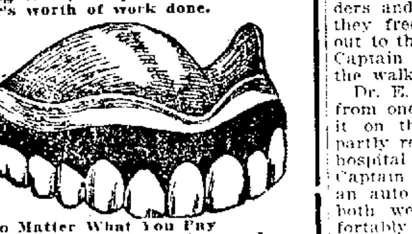

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U. S. SUBMARINE STILL INTACT CREW SAVED

EUREKA, Calif., Dec. 15.—The submarine H-3 in which 25 enlisted men and two officers of the United States navy were imprisoned for several hours yesterday while she pounded disabled, in a heavy surf on the beach near the Eureka harbor entrance was still intact early today as far as could be seen from the shore.

The sea was smoother during the night and hope was expressed that with the aid of the coast guard cutter McCulloch, which left San Francisco last night and should arrive here during the day, the stranded diver would be hauled back into deep water.

The crew of the H-3 spent the night on the U.S.S. Cheyenne, the mother ship of the H-flotilla, in Eureka harbor, while the H-1 and the H-2, which were accompanying the H-3 to San Diego from Puget sound, continued unconvoyed to San Francisco.

Werner Swelns, the plucky coast guardsman of the Eureka life saving station, today became the hero of the rescue. While the naval men were still bottled up in the diver a coast guard cutter with eight men pulled alongside with a lead line for a breeches buoy. When the cutter was dashed away by a giant wave, Swelns leaped aboard the diver and made fast the line.

Washed overboard, he clasped a straggling line and hauled himself to safety, only to be forced to repeat his hazardous struggle a moment later. The conning tower hatch was opened to him when the men inside became aware of his presence through his lusty kicks and a little later Swelns and members of the crew were able to haul the buoy tackle aboard.

The H-3 once before piled up on the California coast and stuck on a mud bank for 24 hours on her trial trip, but never before probably has a diver crew been subjected to the triple dangers that Lieut H. R. Bogusch and his men experienced yesterday. Drowning through the opening of seams under the terrible pounding in the surf was their first danger. Chlorine gas from leaking batteries then threatened the lives of the crew.

CHRISTMAS TREE FOR HORSES

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—Francis R. Rowley, president of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, yesterday received permission from Mayor Curley to erect a mammoth Christmas tree in Postoffice square and play Santa Claus for the horses that pass that way. The tree has been provided through the generosity of a prominent friend of the society. It will be heavily burdened with apples, carrots, sugar lumps and other delicacies dear to the horses of the city.

Mayor Curley highly commended the plan yesterday as an object lesson which will teach people to be kind to animals.

DIVIDEND OF 25 PER CENT

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—A special dividend of 25 per cent in Anglo-French bonds and an extra cash dividend of 10 per cent in addition to the regular quarterly disbursement were declared today by the Scoville Manufacturing Co., makers of brass goods and fuses for shrapnel of Waterbury, Conn.

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By order of the Municipal Council.

STEPHEN FLYNN, Clerk.

Dec. 15, 1916.

If you want help or have or want to buy see The Sun "Want" column.

DESTROYS $5000 IN BILLS AND ENDS LIFE

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—Having destroyed between $5000 and $7000 in bills of large denomination, leaving in a bank only $200 to defray his funeral expenses, and thrown his jewelry away, Gustavus A. Gardner, aged 29, who killed himself on his brother's grave in Holy Cross cemetery, Malden, late Wednesday afternoon was buried this morning according to his last wish.

This action on the part of Gardner was discovered in a second letter which was found yesterday among his effects at the Hotel Bellevue as directed in the first letter which asked Richard C. Kirby, an East Boston undertaker to bury him.

In the long letter the young man stated that the money he had destroyed had belonged to his dead mother and brother and that in conscience he could not spend it, nor could he bear to leave it behind, hence its destruction.

Until he left Boston a year ago, Gardner was the private secretary of the Boston Athletic association. He was born in East Boston. His friends say his mind must have become unbalanced.

The funeral services were held at the parlors of Undertaker Kirby, 15 to 17 Bennington street, East Boston, and a requiem mass was sung at 9 o'clock at St. Joseph's church, Orient Heights, the parish in which the unfortunate young man formerly resided.

CAMBRIDGE MAN WAS FROZEN TO DEATH

MILLINOCKET, Me., Dec. 15.—Thos. Cronin, aged 34, of Cambridge, Mass., was found frozen to death on the tote road between this town and Spring Brook yesterday. He had been employed as a teamster by the Great Northern Paper company and Wednesday started to walk 26 miles to Spring Brook.

BOMB WRECKS SLEEPING CAR OF STRIKEBREAKERS

THIRTY-FOUR MEN NARROWLY ESCAPED SERIOUS INJURY—POLICE SEEK STRIKERS

PROVIDENCE, Dec. 15.—Thirty-four strike-breakers narrowly escaped serious injury and the sleeping car in which they were resting for the night at South Water and India streets was badly damaged by the explosion of a bomb under one of the trucks early yesterday.

Guards were stationed about the coach to protect the strike-breakers, who are employed by the railroad at the Providence line dock, where there has been a strike in progress for some weeks. Every window in the car was shattered and a large hole was torn in the floor, but no one was seriously hurt. Bunks were forced against the roof and the occupants received a severe shaking up.

The police are searching for three strikers as the bomb suspects.

A SPRINGFIELD MILK STRIKE PREVENTED

SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 15.—Milk dealers of the city opened the way for prevention of the threatened milk strike yesterday, when nine of the largest of them consented to sign an agreement giving the producers six cents a quart from now to the first of May. The agreement was drawn up after a conference with the board of trade special committee of investigation, and many of the producers have already signified their willingness to accept it.

The smaller dealers have until 6 o'clock today to sign. It is not anticipated they will refuse as it would mean probable loss of their customers to the larger dealers. This constitutes the first victory of the local organized dairy interests.

GONE TO MILWAUKEE

Rev. Hariton Panagopoulos, pastor of the Greek Orthodox church of this city, left last evening for Milwaukee, Wis., where he has accepted the position of pastor of the Greek Orthodox church.

Rev. Fr. Panagopoulos has been a resident of this city for the past four years during which time he was pastor of the local church. Two years ago he was given an assistant in the person of Rev. Nectar Sotiriou and since that time the two clergymen have taken care of the parish together. Last Sunday Rev. Fr. Panagopoulos tendered his resignation to the community and last evening after offering farewell to his flock, he left for his new home. During his stay in Lowell, Rev. Fr. Panagopoulos made a host of friends, who received the news of his departure with grief. For the present the affairs of the local church will be taken care of by Rev. Fr. Sotiriou.

CUT DOWN ON BUTTER

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—A partial boycott against butter will be started in this city next Wednesday, continuing for three weeks or longer, it was announced last night by Joseph Harrigan, commissioner of weights and measures and secretary of the mayor's committee of food supply. Housewives will be asked to economize in the use of butter instead of being urged not to buy it at all.

"Now is the history of the trade has there been such shortage in butter and eggs," Harrigan said.

JURYMEN SEEK INJUNCTION

PROVIDENCE, Dec. 15.—Mary Haney [illegible] and owners, charged victims of a bribery conspiracy, filed yesterday [illegible] Walter E. Clarke, city [illegible] and the board of police commissioners [illegible] the superior court asking [illegible] the defendants [illegible] the jurors [illegible] of the complaints until a hearing may be had before the court on the authority of the bond [illegible] by the [illegible].

NEW HAVEN HAS $50,000 FIRE

NEW HAVEN, Dec. 15.—The final [illegible] of F. Hotaling, a four-story block, was practically burned out here yesterday afternoon. The loss is estimated at about $50,000.

CONSTERNATION IN LIQUOR TRADE IN FRANCE

PARIS, Dec. 15.—The decision of the government to prohibit the consumption during the remainder of the war of alcoholic beverages with the exception of wines and beer has caused consternation in the liquor trade although it is but the logical culmination of a series of restrictive measures which have been taken since the outbreak of hostilities, such as the suppression of absinthe in March, 1915, the doubling of the tax on spirits last June and the granting to private individuals of the privilege of distilling spirits from the produce of their own lands.

M. Grizard, president of the Saloon Keepers' Federation and M. Delarose, sociation declare the new measure will bring ruin to 380,000 saloon keepers now mobilized and fighting for their country and that it will dry up one of the sources of national wealth. On the other side it is pointed out that, aside from consideration of the health of the people, alcohol is needed urgently in the manufacture of munitions for which increasing quantities are being imported. The amount expended for this purpose in the present year is about 130,000,000 francs compared with 30,000,0000 francs last year.

M. Riemain, secretary of the Anti-Alcohol league, says the prohibition measure will not injure the saloon keepers, but on the other hand will benefit them as they would get small profit with the doubled taxes on spirits while the sale of wine, beer, cider, tea and coffee will yield handsome returns. The distillers will lose nothing, M. Riemain contends, as their whole output will be taken for industrial purposes.

LADIES' AID SOCIETY

The monthly meeting of the Ladies' Aid society of St. Patrick's church was held last evening in the boys' school hall with a large attendance. Plans for Christmas dinners were discussed and special meetings of the relief comittee were called for. Returns were made for the concert and dance held on Nov. 21st, in aid of St. Peter's orphanage. Letters of thanks were read for all those who in any way contributed to its success.

DAILEY WAS VICTIM OF APOPLEXY

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—Thomas Jefferson Dailey, president of the Terminal Bowling and Billiard company, was stricken with apoplexy on the Tremont street mall of Boston common yesterday afternoon as he was on his way to take a car for his home in Somerville. He was sent to the Relief hospital and there pronounced dead.

Mr Dailey was born in [illegible] Me., 66 years ago of [illegible] ancestry went back to the [illegible] England days. [illegible] went to Lewiston [illegible] of the militia [illegible] and was prominent in the development of the silver mines there.

Upon his return east he entered the contracting firm of Leavitt, Dailey & [illegible], which was engaged in several important works throughout New England. In recent years he had been one of the leading promoters in the report of bowling, and had served as president of the Boston association.

Mr. Dailey was a man of gentle nature and of very fine friendships, and his friends were legion. No one had done more than he to develop interest in bowling as a clean, wholesome recreation.

He is survived by a wife, a son, J. Harry Dailey of Auburn, Me., and a daughter, Mrs. James Morgan of Swampscott. His home was at 52 Mt. Vernon st., Somerville.

MEETING OF REICHSTAG

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 15, via London.—The Berlin Lokal Anzeiger says it learns that Maj. Ernest Bassermann of the national liberals in the reichstag has proposed a meeting of the reichstag finance committee in order to discuss the foreign political situation. The utmost importance is attached to the proposed meeting, which is to be secret, the newspaper adds.

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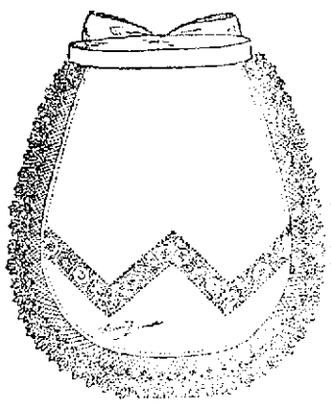

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Only Imported Handkerchiefs are in our Christmas holiday stock. We contracted for a great many of the assortments many months ago. Prices were lower than they are now, and there was a great variety to select from. These handkerchiefs come from sources which we have been using for years, so that there is no question of their reliability even under such trying conditions in the linen industry as those of today.
Women's Pure Linen Hand Embroidered Initial Handkerchiefs; with block, Old English and long initials ..... 12½c to 25c
Women's Handkerchief Centers; sizes 9 and 10 inches; 1-8 inch hem; for tatting ..... 19c to 37c

CHILDREN'S HANDKERCHIEFS
Single or in fancy boxes to please them 5c, 19c, 25c

GOWNS
Round and square neck, slip over or empire styles, trimmed with lace insertions and edges and organdie medallions. A dozen styles for $1.00
Dainty Hand Embroidered Gowns $1.50
Fancy Lace Trimmed Gowns $1.98

ENVELOPE CHEMISE
Lace trimmed $1.00, $1.50
SPECIAL CHRISTMAS NUMBERS in crepe de chine, pink or white ..... $1.98 to $4.98

CAMISOLES
Handsome styles in lace trimmed, pink or white, 98c to $2.49

BOUDOIR CAPS
Fascinating confections in silk, crepe de chine and lace combinations, pink, blue, lavender and white ..... 50c, 75c and $1

SILK SKIRTS
Taffeta Petticoats are gay in styles and colorings, $2.98, $3.98, $5.00
Heatherbloom Skirts in black, fancy ruffles, also in fancy colors $1.50, $1.98
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Fred Couture, representing Pelletier Club of Lowell vs. James Crowe, representing D.M.L. Cadets of Lowell, and Tony Drouin, representing M.C.I. of Lowell.
North Couture to run 3 miles. Crowe and Drouin to team and relay [illegible] Skating as usual. Races at 9.30.

AMERICAN GLEE CLUB
Associate Hall Tonight
Miner-Doyle's Orchestra. Tickets 25c

NEUTRALS TO SUPPORT U. S. IN PEACE MOVE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The authorized statement at the German embassy that consideration of at least partial disarmament would be one of the things taken up at a peace conference attracted the widest attention among government officials and diplomats.

It was accounted doubly interesting because Germany repeatedly had refused such suggestions, even to the point, it was said, of threatening to withdraw from the second Hague conference if the subject were passed.

Disarmament formed practically the whole basis of the Russian circular note of Aug. 12, 1898, proposing the first Hague conference. The note declared that "in checking the increasing armament and in seeking the means of averting the calamities which threaten the entire world lies the supreme duty today resting upon all states."

The first conference adopting the suggestion of a sub-committee decided "the restriction of military charges is extremely desirable for the increase of the moral and material welfare of mankind." Nevertheless owing to the attitude of some of the powers and the difficulty of agreeing on an international plan the mater was left to the various nations without direct suggestion.

"With the call for the second conference in 1907 it became unmistakable that Germany would not discuss armament. Therefore no mention of it was made in the call, but the United States and Spain reserved the liberty to bring the question forward.

When it became evident, however, that Germany would leave the conference if the question were pressed, Sir Edward Fry, supported by the American and French delegates, spoke in plenary session for some sort of decrease, saying:

"My government is a convinced supporter of these high aspirations."

Nevertheless the subject did not go to general discussion and there was no further action than the mere statement of views by the favoring states. Argentina and Chile stated that they had agreed to partial disarmament, and England, France and the United States pledged themselves to the principle which Russia had brought forward in the first conference.

Since the 1907 conference, however, the subject has been widely discussed unofficially but very little by the various governments.

More of the neutral European diplomats have asked their governments to authorize them to assure President Wilson of support in any move designed to bring about consideration of the offer to discuss peace. Among the neutrals the view was reflected that the advantage of supporting Pres. Wilson in any action he may take would be two-fold. Neutral diplomats are certain that the weight of the collective opinions and wishes of many neutrals, headed by the United States, necessarily would demand the greatest consideration. Also, should the joint action not bring about consideration of the proposals, President Wilson would be left free to act on his own initiative later.

The Germany embassy today was without additional advices of any kind from Berlin. Count von Bernstorff made no appointment to see Secretary Lansing.

BEST GRADES OF FLOUR DROP 25 CENTS BARREL

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 15.—Best grades of flour dropped 25 cents a barrel today as a result of the bearish condition of the wheat market. First patents were quoted at $9, which is $1.50 a barrel below the high mark touched a month ago.

CLAIMS OF B. & M. DIRECTORS DENIED

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—The claims of directors of the Boston & Maine railroad that receivership proceedings were instituted to save the road from threatened lawsuits by note holders was denied today by counsel for minority stockholders in the federal court hearing on the question of making the receivership premanent. Conrad W. Crooker, counsel for the protestants, questioned William J. Hobbs, vice president and financial expert of the road, in an effort, as he explained, to show that a majority of the 350 note holders renewed their notes and gave no indication of any intention to seek relief in the courts.

Out of a total of $27,000,000 in claims on notes, Mr. Crocker said that only $1,800,000 went to judgment. The remainder were renewed, the holders exchanging part of their notes for Maine railway notes until the original amount was reduced to $13,300,000, which was outstanding at the time a petition for a receiver was filed last August.

Mr. Hobbs said there was a constantly improving attitude on the part of the note holders toward renewal and that while many had threatened to bring action and were hostile to further extensions, they were finally induced not to sue.

COLDEST WEATHER OF WINTER SEASOM

GREAT SUFFERING IN CLEVELAND—FAMINE IN NATURAL GAS

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 15.—With the coldest weather of the winter prevailing today the city was experimenting a famine in natural gas. The pressure fell to such a low point that there was great suffering and prospects of closing schools.

YOUTH KILLS HIMSELF

LEOMINSTER, Dec. 15.—Frank F. Dorothy, aged 20, employed by the Standard Tool company and son of Mrs. Agnes Dorothy, 19 Oak avenue, committed suicide yesterday in his chamber by blowing a hole through his head with a shotgun. When his mother returned from work last night she found his body. He had been acting queerly for several weeks.

WORKS ON 89TH BIRTHDAY

LAWRENCE, Dec. 15.—Close confinement to a mill has not impaired the health or vitality of George Ainsworth, who celebrated his 89th birthday yesterday by working from 6.45 a. m. till 5.30 p. m. in the warp twisting room of the Washington mills. For the past 79 years Mr. Ainsworth has been a mill operative. He is confident that he is the oldest active mill operative in the United States, and says he wil remain at his warp until called home.

NO MIDNIGHT MASSES IN PARIS CHRISTMAS EVE

PARIS Dec. 15.—There will be no midnight masses in Paris on Christmas eve. Cardinal Amette, archbishop of Paris, has so decided. The holiday services will take place wholly in daylight in order to economize in lighting and fuel.

COST OF BEING SICK HAS NOW ADVANCED

SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 15. — About 30 drugist attended a special meeting in the rooms of the board of trade yesterday and made it cost more to be sick by advancing the price of drugs.

A committee was chosen to draft a schedule of the cost of drugs to dealers and consumers. The European war is cited as a reason for the marked jump in prices.

It will most more to die in Springfield than ever before, inasmuch as the hackdrivers also met yesterday and decided to charge $5 instead of $4, the former price, for hacks at funerals.

The attribute the increase to the shortage and high price of grain, labor and horses, and decreasing business due to the advent of the automobile.

AGED WOMAN KILLED BY AUTOMOBILE

GLOUCESTER, Dec. 15.—Mrs. Margaret Hooper, aged about 70, widow of Winfield S. Hooper, once keeper of the Ten Pound Island lighthouse, was killed last night by an automobile owned and driven by George W. Woodbury of Eastern Point road, East Gloucester.

The accident occurred about 6.30, near the junction of Pleasant and Prospect streets. Mr. Woodbury said he was turning into Prospect from Pleasant street when Mrs. Hooper appeared in front of the automobile and was knocked down, the machine passing over her.

He and others carried the woman, unconscious, into the home of Mrs. Ella Proctor on Prospect street. Drs. Egan, Choate and Medical Examiner Flanagan were summoned. She died a few minutes after being taken into the house. Some bruises about the head were the only visible evidences of injury.

Mrs. Hooper lived at 11 Middle street. She leaves three sons, George and Sylvan of this city and Nathaniel, who is in the lighthouse service.

Mr. Woodbury came to the police station and gave himself up. He was booked on charge of manslaughter, bonds being fixed at $2500. His brother-in-law, ex-Mayor Patch, furnished surety.

RUSSIANS AND RUMANS ARE FALLING BACK

LONDON, Dec. 15.—The British admiralty has intercepted and makes public the following telegram collected by the Wireless Press.

PETROGRAD, Dec. 15.—Russian official statement. "Rumanian front: The Russian and Rumanian troops in the region of Buzeu, under pressure from the enemy, are falling back, protected by rear guards. In consequence of this retirement the troops which occupied positions on the River Jalomitza also are retiring."

WAR VETERAN FREED OF MURDER GHARGE

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 15.—No indictment was returned today by the United States grand jury in the case of Henry W. Curtis, 71, Civil war veteran, of the Togus Soldiers' home, charged with murder of Martin Gibboney, 72, also a veteran of Togus, who died a few weeks ago. It was found by autopsy that he had been killed by drinking poisoned whisky and the fact that he had been killed by drinking poisoned whisky and the fact that he had ne trusted $900 to Curtis led to the charge.

Indictment was returned against Geo. M. Allen of Westbrook, postmaster at Highland Lake, charged with embezzlement of $465.

Similar indictment was brought against Postmaster Wilber A. Thorne of Houghton, accused of the embezzlement of $1900. This office pays only $150 a year salary. Both men have reimbursed the government for the shortages.

Both Thorne and Allen pleaded guilty. Thorne was sentenced to 90 days in jail and to pay a fine of $500 and costs Allen was fined $200.

KILLED AIDING FRIEND

VANCEBORO, Me., Dec. 15.—Arthur N. Coombs of Foxboro, Mass., was fatally injured yesterday while trying to aid a hunting companion who had broken through the ice of a stream. Coombs extended his rifle butt foremost toward his comrade and in the struggle to pull the man onto firm ice the weapon was discharged, the bullet entering Coombs' hip. The other man reached shore safely. Coombs died at the Bangor hospital.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

MAYOR IN FAVOR

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Mr. Morse: "I think they are arbitrary."

Mr. Putnam: "If we have nothing to say about it, why didn't they do the business in the first place?"

Mr. Morse: "What's the use of our taking action if they can put it aside? I believe that the men who came here and protested are capable of doing the work."

Mr. Putnam: "Is there anything else for us to do only to heed the protest of the school board?"

Mayor O'Donnell: "As a matter of expediency and respect for the board, I think we ought to heed their request."

Mr. Morse said he voted for the best interests of the city and there was some discussion. Mayor O'Donnell said that the point at issue was to decide what was to be done with the protest and suggestions of the school committee. He said that the bids will not be in until the end of the month and it is not too late to take action.

Commissioner Duncan spoke in favor of Commissioner Donnelly's suggestion that the letter be submitted to the city solicitor. He said that the council and school committee will have to agree.

Mayor O'Donnell said that it is a minor matter and that recognition of the school board's stand would bring all forms of bids before the municipal council—local bids as well as out of town.

Commissioner Donnelly repeated his motion that the matter be referred to the school board and that a report be submitted at the next meeting.

Mayor O'Donnell said he is in favor of direct action at the present time and Mr. Morse interposed by saying that the letter is "a slap at the local contractors." Mr. Morse intimated that influence has been brought to bear on school board, and Mr. Duncan gave the point of view of the school committee, which, he said, is not his own.

Commissioner Donnelly's motion was passed.

Commission of Ten

"While we are on this matter," said Mayor O'Donnell, "I would like to make a motion that the city solicitor be instructed to draft a bill which shall be presented to the legislature for the appointment of a commission of ten men to have full charge of contracts and everything else in connection with the construction and erection of the high school."

Commissioner [illegible] asked about the commission that had charge of city hall and Memorial building and the mayor said that he is not altogether set on the number, 10. He said the formation of a commission would relieve the municipal council of responsibility. He is not committed to the number 10 but he has already found 10 men acting in harmony on the high school plans, viz. the advisory board and school committee. He does not know he said, that the 10 men mentioned would consent to serve.

The motion was passed.

Commissioner Putnam entered a motion that the fire department purchase a White chassis at a cost of $[illegible]. Commissioner [illegible] said money is needed more in other city departments and the motion was withdrawn by Commissioner Putnam.

State Highway Commission

A communication was received from the state highway commission asking that property owners along First street through Indian orchard, sign a release freeing the state from responsibility in connection with the construction of the state highway.

Agreement [illegible] which would [illegible] the city of Lowell to [illegible] the state for any incidental damages in the construction of the road from First street to the Dracut line.

City Engineer Kearney said that the Locks & Canals has refused to grant a release partly because there is some doubt as to the amount of land the city owns there. The state therefore asks the city to assume responsibility for possible future costs.

Mr. Kearney gave a list of construction estimates. The distance is 5200 feet and the total cost is $64,000. The state is to assume costs of wearing surface and maintenance and the city and county are to stand the cost of construction from the foundation to the sub grade. The idea is to have from Reed street a boulevard like that at Princeton street. The city is to make the road and the state highway will put on surface and maintain it.

The matter was put over until the next meeting of the council.

City Engineer Kearney also reported on the many minor items of bridge repair and construction as brought in at yesterday's meeting by Engineer van Deerlin of the National Engineering corporation. These items were not in the original contract but are additional, the estimated cost being $5,862.

Com. Morse asked if there would be money enough in the appropriation and Com. Duncan said that the things specified can be done more cheaply now and by the National Engineering corporation than at any other time and by any other firm.

Commissioner Morse asked for the records in order to find out how much is left of the bridge appropriation. Clinton P. Tuttle was sent for and said that there remain $24,709.57, with the 15 per cent. held back. The appropriation was $125,000 and the original contract called for $118,310.00. There are also bills for $4400 for November. Mayor O'Donnell said that the expense for wing walls should be charged rightly against the park appropriation.

Mayor O'Donnell made a motion that the corporation be authorized to do the work as specified and it was voted unanimously.

The mayor also asked the council for their opinion on the possible sale of the land at the junction of Rogers and Nesmith streets, but no action was taken.

The meeting adjourned until Monday morning at 11 o'clock.

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Lean Beef, for stew 13c	Hothouse Lettuce 5c
Boneless Pot Roast 16c	Yellow Celery 10c
Fresh Young Fowl ......25c lb.	Mixed Nuts ....15c lb.
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Hatchet Brand Macaroni....10c	Garden Bloom Teas......49c lb.
Pickled Walnuts 23c	Anchovy Paste 21c
Bar-le-Duc 19c	Port du Salut Cheese.....45c lb.
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GIRL'S ACQUITTAL OF BOILING CAT DENOUNCED

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—So disgusted was Judge Martin in the court of common pleas, Newark, N. J., yesterday when a jury acquitted Mrs. Amelia Vail of a charge of broiling alive a pet cat of Mrs. William Koehler, of No. 140 Lorraine avenue, Montclair, last February, that he scolded and dismissed the jurors and ordered a retrial next Monday. He said to the jurors:

"It is plainly evident that you do not understand the duties of a jury. The preponderance of evidence in this case has determined the guilt of the defendant. I am at a loss to comprehend your decision, and I therefore am constrained to discharge you from further duty during the balance of the term."

Says Woman Told of Act

Mrs. Vail, who was cook and housekeeper for Mrs. Koehler, when it is asserted she grilled the cat, already had been acquitted of the charge by Recorder Henry L. Yost of Montclair. "Lack of substantial evidence," was the reason given by the recorder.

The chief witness yesterday against Mrs. Vail, who was not in court, was Miss Millicent Ballentins, who was a maid for Mrs. Koehler last February. She testified that one afternoon when she was in the cellar she saw Mrs. Vail carrying a brown bag, which apparently contained some live animal.

She asserted that later Mrs. Vail told her she had tossed the cat upon the live coals of the furnace and shut the door.

"I didn't see her throw the cat in," Miss Ballentine admitted.

It was not until after Mrs. Vail went to work elsewhere that Miss Ballentine told Mrs. Koehler Mrs. Vail had burned the cat. Then Mrs. Koehler hurried to the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals in Montclair, and a warrant was sworn out by its officers for Mrs. Vail's arrest.

Defense Called No Witnesses

Several weeks later Mrs. Vail was found in the employment of another family in Montclair, and her arraignment and acquittal before the recorder followed. The S.P.C.A. promptly took an appeal.

It was this appeal that was tried in Newark yesterday with the result set forth.

HARD TO GET JURIES

LONDON, December.—Depleted staffs in business houses are causing considerable difficulty in getting juries in various courts and the lord chief justice has appealed to the bar and solicitors that they agree as far as possible to try their cases without juries.

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PEDLARS JAILED FOR BAD POTATO SALE

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—Just because the scarcity of coal made it impossible for Mrs. Ella Walsh of 154 Wordsworth street, East Boston, to get her winter's coal supply delivered on time, John Pitts of Neptune road and Joseph Merrigan of Paris street were fined $100 each and sentenced to serve six months in the house of correction at yesterday's session of the East Boston court.

The two men had persuaded her to buy five big sacks of potatoes with $18.75 of her coal money. The potatoes were so rotten below the top of one of the exhibition bags that the stench from them created a nuisance and they had to be buried.

Complaint to the men brought a refund of $5 to Mrs. Walsh, but complaint to the food division of the health department brought a summons to court for the two pedlers, both East Boston young men of good families.

EQUITABLE NEWS PRINT PAPER DISTRIBUTION

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Representatives of the American Newspaper Publishers' association and of many small newspapers held meetings here today to name committees to meet tomorrow with a committee of paper manufacturers and the federal trade commission to form a plan of equitable news print-paper distribution. All will meet together tonight to plan a policy to put before the commission.

At the American Newspaper Publishers' association meeting individual publishers expressed doubt as to the practicability of the distribution plan and asked that the publishers' committee seek of the trade commission and the manufacturers tomorrow some assurances of lower prices through increased production. There is an increasing demand among the publishers, it was said at the meeting, that the department of justice push a complaint filed a few days ago charging paper manufacturers with conspiracy to raise prices.

Among those who attended the meetings today were Emil M. Scholz, New York Evening Post; Jason Rogers, New York Globe; F. P. Glass, chairman of the Newspaper Publishers' association paper committee; L. B. Palmer, manager of the association; A. G. McIntyre, the association's paper expert, and representatives of a number of state publishers' associations.

ARRESTED AS "SLAVER"

DOVER, Me., Dec. 15.—William Bell, aged 50, of Greenville, was arrested yesterday at Brownville by Deputy Sheriff Stanley Hall on a warrant charging him with white slavery under the Maine statute. The complaint was made by George A. Carter of Greenville father of Margaret Carter, aged 18, and a member of last year's graduating class at Greenville High school. The girl has been missing for nearly a year, and recently her parents received a letter from her mailed at Woodstock, N. B., informing them that she was in that town and that she had been taken there by Bell. Bell was traced to Brownville. He had a wife and children living in Greenville.

GEORGE S. BOWEN DEAD

NEW BEDFORD, Dec. 15.—George S. Bowen, a member of the supreme lodge of the International Order of Good Templars and prominent in that organization for many years, died here today at the age of 55.

STUDY BERLIN POLICE PLAN

BERLIN, [illegible]—Turkey has become so impressed with the efficiency of the Berlin police that it has sent to Berlin the director of the Constantinople criminal department, Behaeddin Bey, to study the methods in vogue here, so that on his return he may reorganize the police of Turkey's capital and principal cities, and introduce German methods there.

Behaeddin Bey among other things plans to introduce in Turkey the German equivalent of the Bertillon system in vogue in America and many of the German detective methods. There will also be published a bi-weekly police newspaper for the "intellectual enlightenment of Turkish police officials and the development of police methods."

RECORD OF 120 BEHEADINGS

BRESLAU, Germany, December.—Prussia's official headsman, Lorenz Schwietz, has just retired after holding his unenviable position for 16 years and with a record of 120 beheadings. He is now 67 years old.

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An open letter to Santa Claus

DEAR SANTA:—

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The folks are going to give me something this year—They always do. But tell 'em, won't you, that I am not collecting curios.

I DO NOT WANT a new collar for the dog, a bottle of perfume or some nickel cigars—BUT THERE ARE USEFUL THINGS I DO WANT—some I must have, and if I get them, they will save me money. So, will you kindly give this list your attention old friend.

I SHOULD LIKE—some new "Neckties"—never have quite enough, 25c to $1.25 and "Shirts," every man likes a variety, $1.00 to $3.50—a "House Coat" would be an improvement over the old one I'm wearing around the house now, $4.00 to $6.00.

I need a new pair of "Gloves," but unless some one gives them to me, I'll probably keep on wearing the old ones, 50c to $5.00—A nice warm cap would be fine these cold mornings, 50c to $1.50.

Everybody thinks he's harder on socks than any one else—I am. Some nice "Socks" would come in handy, 25c, 35c, 50c pair—and if anybody wants to save me some real money, I'm a candidate for a new Suit or Overcoat—Suits, $10.00 to $25.00—Overcoats, $12.50 to $30.00.

P. S.—And please remember, tell them to buy the things at a man's store.

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MYAOR IN FAVOR

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by a number of Centralville residents. Referred to mayor as head of police department.

The following eight men were drawn by Commissioner Putnam to serve as traverse jurors at the session of the superior court, Jan. 2, 1917:

Allan Fraser, 12 McKinley avenue, merchant.

Charles F. Nichols, 75 Woodworth avenue, mechanic.

Frederick A. Chase, 13 Nesmith street, librarian.

Thomas F. McKay, 176 Rogers street, cracker dealer.

Henry F. Eastman, 527 Rogers street, mechanical engineer.

Donat Plesse, 131 Gershom avenue, painter.

Harvey B. Greene, 72 Marlboro street, florist.

Patrick F. Nestor, 318 Stackpole street, lamplighter.

School Board's Letter

An order was put in by Commissioner Morse authorizing the Bay State Street railway to lay temporary tracks on Appleton street, and it was so voted.

A communication was received from the school committee protesting against the method of awarding bids for high school and favoring the calling of bids in two ways, viz., one general contract and several divided contracts. Following is the letter:

Dec. 14, 1916.

To the Municipal Council of the City of Lowell.

Gentlemen:—

At a special meeting of the school committee on Dec. 14, 1916, the vote recently passed by the municipal council concerning the manner of calling for bids for the projected new high school was considered.

In the discussion of this matter at the joint meeting of the municipal council, the advisory board and the school committee, the sense of the majority of these three boards was that bids should be called for in two ways, namely, separate bids on seven separate contracts and one comprehensive bid upon the entire work. It was then at that time understood by the school committee that bids would be called for in the two ways above specified.

Section 55 of the city charter provides that "no work shall be begun on the construction * * * * of a school building unless the approval of the school committee therefor is first obtained."

The school committee believe that under this section of the charter the responsibility of approving the beginning of work on the new high school rests with them. The manner of calling for bids and of letting contracts is, in their opinion, a most important element in the construction of such a building, and they therefore deem it proper at this time to state to the municipal council their conviction that the method adopted is not for the best interests of the city.

The school committee believe that if the work is done under separate contracts delays and disputes will inevitably arise and increased expense will result. In restricting competition to local contractors the city will lose the benefit of extended competition, particularly among firms which have made a specialty of the construction of school buildings.

The school committee believe that at least bids should be called for in the alternative so that a comparison can be made between the cost of a general contract and the total cost of separate contracts. Considering the time which has already elapsed since the first step was taken toward the construction of a new high school building, the school committee are deeply concerned over the prospect of further delay before suitable accommodations can be provided for the high school.

Consequently the school committee feel that they cannot concur in the action taken by the municipal council with respect to the bids for the new high school, and they recommend that a general bid be called for, as was originally determined upon, and that the competition be not restricted to local contractors.

Very respectfully,
Hugh J. Molloy,
Secretary.

Communication Discussed

Commissioner Morse moved that the communication be placed on file.

Mayor O'Donnell stated that if the position of the school committee is sound the council will be involved in serious difficulty. If their protest is heeded it will mean new delay. He said that he does not feel that the fault is with the municipal council but that any new delay would be laid at the doors of the municipal council.

"The school committee says that the charter gives them the right to say what form of bids shall be called for," said the mayor. "Why then not call for general bids instead of placing communications on file."

Commissioner Morse said that the vote has been taken and so far as he is concerned the men of Lowell will be given the contracts.

Mr. Putnam: "Do you think, Mr. Mayor, that they have the right to say how we shall call for bids?"

Mayor O'Donnell: "This is the section of the charter referred to." He then read the clause that the claim is based on.

Commissioner Donnelly: "Why not submit the matter to the city solicitor?"

Mayor O'Donnell: "That is agreeable to me."

Commissioner Morse: "We have voted already. I think the school board wants only a general contract."

Mayor O'Donnell: "Why should we take an arbitrary position?"

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IRISH QUESTION IN HOUSE OF COMMONS

LONDON, Dec. 15.—During the debate in the house of commons in the report stage today on the vote of credit the nationalist members brought up the Irish question. Major William Redmond, member for East Clair, said he in the past had been in bitter opposition to the new ministers, but that he had come to the conclusion on the question of a government for Ireland and said that an understanding for a settlement between Irishmen of the north and the south was quite possible.

Troops from Ulster and the south provinces, the speaker said, were in pretty close contact, and it had been remarkable that there had not been under any circumstances anything but the very best and kindliest feeling between the men from the north and the south.

Redmond, who is a major in the Irish division, is spending a short leave in England. He paid a glowing tribute to the valor of the Irish troops and said there was only one thing to do and that was to back up the men at the front.

Andrew Bonar Law, the government leader in the house of commons, replying to Major Redmond, said the desire for a new state of things in Ireland, if it could be attained, was not confined to Irishmen. It was a great thing, he added, that for the first time an official of the nationalist party stood on the side of the empire. It was his heartiest wish, as deeply seated as that of Major Redmond, that some change between Ireland and the rest of the United Kingdom and between one part of Ireland and the other should take place. One thing that would influence the people of the United Kingdom more than anything else, Mr. Bonar Law said, was that Irishmen were willing to run the same risks as they were running.

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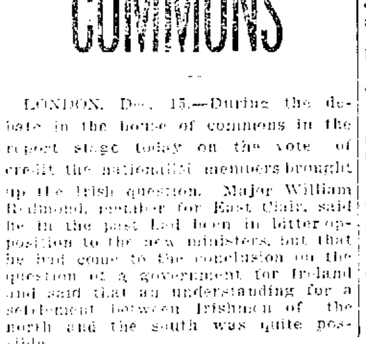

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TODAY'S STOCK MARKET

NEW YORK MARKET

Stocks	High	Low	Close
Allis Chalmers	29½	26	29
Am Beet Sugar	98¾	95	98¾
Am Can	58	49	51½
*Am Can pf	110¼	109¼	109½
Am Car & Fn	66⅝	65½	65⅞
Am Car & Fn pf	116	116	116
Am Cot Oil	50	50	50
Am Hides L Com	13½	12⅞	13
Am Hide & L pf	71	67⅞	69
Am Locomo	82¼	78	80¼
Am Locomo pf	107⅛	107⅛	107⅛
Am Smelt & R	108¾	105¼	105½
Am Smelt & R pf	115	115	115
Am Sugar Rfn	111	110	110⅞
Anaconda	87¼	83¾	86¾
Atchison	104⅞	102⅞	103⅜
Atchison pf	100¾	100⅝	100¾
Baldwin Loco	68	65	68⅛
Balt & Ohio	84¼	83⅞	84¼
Balt & Ohio pf	74	74	74
Beth Steel	550	525	550
Br Rap Tran	83	81½	83
Cal Pete	23⅝	23	23⅝
Cal Pete pf	53	51	52½
Canadian Pa	167	165	166½
Cast I Pipe Com	21⅜	21⅛	21⅜
Cast I Pipe pf	65	65	65
Cent Leather	97⅞	91	93½
Cent Leather pf	117	116	117
Ches & Ohio	66½	64¼	65¾
Chi & Gt W Com	14	13⅛	14
Chi & Gt W pf	40¾	40	40
Chic R I & Pac	26¾	26¼	25½
Chile	25⅝	23⅞	25
Col Fuel	47⅝	44½	46⅞
Consol Gas	134¼	132	132
Corn Products	24	22¼	23½
Corn Products pf	109	107⅛	108½
Crucible Steel	69	63¾	67½
Den & Rio G pf	41⅞	39¾	41½
Del & Hud	150	150	150
Del L & W	239	238	238
Dis Secur Co	33	30	32¼
Erie	36⅝	35⅛	36
Erie 1st pf	50¼	49½	50½
Erie 2d pf	41	41	41
Gen Elec	172	169	172
Goodrich	67⅝	65⅛	67
Gt North pf	117½	116	117½
Gt N Ore ctf	40	38¼	39¾
Illinois Cen	106½	105	105
Int Met Com	17¼	16	17⅛
Int Met Com pf	75½	72	72
Int Mer Marine	36½	33⅝	35
Int Mer Marine pf	106	99¾	105¾
Int Paper	46¾	39½	45¼
Int Paper pf	102¼	99⅞	100½
Kan City So	26½	24⅛	25¼
Kan City So pf	59	58⅞	58⅞
Kan & Tex	10½	9¾	10½
Kan & Tex pf	20	18¾	20
Lehigh Valley	80¾	78½	79⅞
Louis & Nash	132	132	132
Maxwell	66	62½	64¾
Maxwell 1st	73	70	73
Maxwell 2nd	42¾	41⅝	42¼
Mex Petroleum	100¾	96	98
Missouri Pa	17	16⅝	16¾
Nat Lead	62	60½	62
Nat Lead pf	113	112⅞	112⅞
N Y Air Brake	154⅛	149	154¾
N Y Central	105¼	104	105
Nor & West	136½	130⅞	136
No Am Co	69	69	69
North Pac	110	109	110
Ont & West	31	29¾	30⅝
Pac Mail	22¼	20	21
Pennsylvania	56¼	56	56
People's Gas	105	104½	105
Pitts Coal	44½	42⅛	44½
Pressed Steel	77	74	76
Pullman Co	162	159½	161
Ry St Sp Co	52½	50⅞	51⅛
Reading	108⅛	106⅝	108¼
Rep Iron & S	79⅝	77	79
Rep I & S pf	105	105	105
St Paul	99	91⅛	92
Sloss-Sheffield	64½	62	64½
So Pac	97⅝	96⅝	97⅜
Southern Ry	24½	21¾	21
Southern Ry pf	69½	69	69½
Studebaker	115¼	110½	110⅜
Tex Pac	19	18½	19
Tenn Copper	24¾	24⅜	24¾
Third Ave	49¼	49	49
Union Pac	145¼	143	144⅝
Union Pac pf	84	84	84
U S Ind Alcohol	116¾	104	103
U S Rub	64½	62	64½
U S Rub pf	112	111	111½
U S Steel	114	109⅜	112⅞
U S Steel 5s	105⅞	105⅞	105⅞
U S Steel pf	120	118	119
Utah Copper	109	104	107
Va Chem	45½	44	45
Westinghouse	56¾	52	54¾
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SELLING OF WAR AND SEMI-WAR SPECIALTIES

UNITED STATES STEEL RECORDED MAXIMUM DECLINE OF 1⅝ POINTS —TEMPORARY RALLIES

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Selling of the war and semi-war specialties was renewed at the outset of today's trading but rails and other representative issues were strong to steady. U. S. Steel recorded a decline of 1 5-8 points on its first transaction of 20,000 shares at 112 to 113 1-4. Recessions of 2 to 4 points were made by Lackawanna Steel, Utah Copper, American Zinc, Continental Can, leading shipping shares and New York Air Brake. Secondary prices were irregular, some stocks making further declines, while others, notably steel, were firmer.

Rallies of 1 to 3 points in the first hour were only temporary, prices breaking sharply again on the greater pressure exerted by fresh liquidation and further short selling. Steel was offered in innumerable lots of 1000 to 5000 down from 114 to 109 1-4. Bethlehem Steel lost 32 1-2 points allowing for its 7 1-2 per cent dividend. Other issues, mainly those which figured prominently in recent reversals, were 5 to 12 points under yesterday's close. The chief features of weakness included Industrial Alcohol, Marines, Atlantic, Gulf & West Indies, International Paper, Central Leather, Lackawanna Steel and Utah Copper. Bonds were unquoted.

Rallies of 3 to 5 points were made by Marines, U. S. and Lackawanna Steels and Alcohol in the afternoon. Bethlehem Steel, however, extended its loss to 47 1-2 points. Rails were inactive and more irregular.

The last hour was the most orderly period of the session, many material recoveries and some actual gains being made. The closing was irregular.

Boston Market

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—Mining shares continued to sag today. Zinc and copper specialties sold off considerably. Calumet & Hecla's early decline of 5 points being the extreme.

Exchanges

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Exchanges $744,173,789; balances $47,962,471.

Cotton Market

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Cotton futures opened steady. December offered 18.20; January 18.35; March 18.50; May 18.73; July 18.73; October 16.85.

Futures closed irregular. December 18.30; January 18.27; March 18.56; May 18.75; July 18.78; October 16.82. Spot steady; middling 18.60.

Money Market

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Mercantile paper 4@4½. Sterling: Sixty day bills 4.71½; commercial sixty day bills on banks 4.71¼; commercial sixty day bills 4.71; demand 4.75½; cables 4.76 7-16. Francs: Demand 5.83½; cables 5.82½. Marks: Demand 74; cables 74½. Kronen: Demand 13½; cables 14. Guilders: Demand 40¾; cables 41. Lires: Demand 6.75; cables 6.72. Rubles: Demand 30¾; cables 31. Bar silver 76¾. Mexican dollars 59⅜. Government bonds steady; railroad bonds heavy.

Time loans strong; sixty days 4½@4¾; ninety days 4¼@4¾; six months 4¼@4½.

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BOSTON MARKET

Stocks	High	Low	Close
RAILROADS			
Boston & Albany	176½	176½	176½
Boston Elevated	79½	79½	79½
Bos & Maine	44	44	44
N Y & N H	53½	52⅝	53
MINING			
Ahmeek	110	110	110
Algomah	1¾	1¼	1¼
Alaska Gold	12½	12	12
Allouez	65	62½	65
American zinc	50	46	48½
Arcadian	5½	5⅛	5½
Ariz Com	14⅝	13½	14
*Butte & Superior	58¾	54½	56½
Cal & Ariz	78	75½	77
Cal & Hecla	45	29	44
*Chino	57⅞	54	56½
Centennial	22	22	22
Copper Range	69	65	68
Daly-West	3	3	3
E. Butte	16½	15¾	15⅞
Franklin	9	8⅞	9
Granby	95⅞	89	95⅞
Greene-Cananea	47	45	45
Hancock	16	16	16
Inspiration	59⅝	55	58⅝
Indiana	4	4	4
Isle Royale	35	34¾	35
Kerr Lake	4¾	4¾	4¾
Lake	13¾	13	13
La Salle	4½	4½	4½
Mass	14½	11	11½
Mayflower	3	3	3
Miami	39¾	36¾	39
Michigan	3⅞	3⅞	3⅞
Mohawk	95	91	93
*Nevada	25½	23⅞	25
New Idria	15¼	15	15
Nipissing	8¾	8¾	8¾
North Butte	23½	22¾	23½
North Lake	2	2	2
Old Colony	2⅛	2	2
Old Dominion	67¾	65	66½
Osceola	90½	90	90½
Quincy	92	88	89½
*Ray Con	28	26½	27¾
Santa Fe	2	2	2
St Mary	93	88½	91
Shannon	9½	8⅞	9¼
Shattuck Ariz	27½	26	27½
Superior	14	14	14
Superior & Boston	5¾	5¼	5½
Tamarack	43	42	43
Trinity	6¼	6	6¼
Tuolumne	1⅞	1½	1⅞
U S Smelting	67⅞	65⅝	67⅞
U S Smelting pf	51⅝	51⅛	51½
*Utah-Apex	3½	3¼	3½
Utah Cons	18⅛	17	17½
Utah Metal	6½	5¾	6⅛
Winona	5	4¾	5
Wolverine	47	45	47
TELEPHONE			
Am Tel & Tel	125½	125¼	125¼
New Eng Tel	125	125	125
MISCELLANEOUS			
Am Ag Chem Com	98	98	98
Am Ag Chem pf	102½	102½	102½
Am Woolen	50½	47½	47½
Island Creek Coal	65	65	65
Mass Elec	4½	4½	4½
Mass Elec pfd	27½	27½	27½
Mass Gas	93	92½	93
Mass Gas pf	80	80	80
Pond Creek	21	17⅞	20⅞
Swift & Co	145	139½	142
United Fruit	155	151	154½
United Sh M	57¼	56⅛	56¾
United Sh M pf	29⅞	29⅞	29⅞
Ventura	8⅝	8½	8¾

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HOUSE VOTES TO DROP BOSTON SUB TREASURY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—If the action of the house of representatives yesterday is not reversed the Boston sub-treasury will pass into history.

During the consideration yesterday afternoon of the legislative and judicial appropriation bill, the item for maintenance of the Boston sub-treasury was stricken out, the motion being made by Representative Sisson of Mississippi, a member of the committee who had made protest in the committee against retaining the appropriation for the Boston office in the bill.

The motion also included the abolition of the Chicago sub-treasury, the argument being that Boston and Chicago being reserve bank cities and sub-treasuries were not needed.

COST OF WAR TO ITALY

PARIS, Dec. 15.—In a statement before the Italian chamber of deputies yesterday as reported in a Havas despatch from Rome, Paolo Carcano, minister of the treasury, announced that Italy spent 12,000,000,000 lire on the war between June 30, 1915, and November 30, 1916. Total expenditures in the fiscal year ended June 30, 1916 were 10,625,000,000 lire.

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LEGAL NOTICES

MORTGAGEE'S SALE

By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by Jacob Krikorian, of Lowell in the County of Middlesex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to John S. Brodie, of said Lowell, dated January 28, 1915, and recorded in the Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds, Book 533, Page 280, will be sold at public auction upon the premises on Saturday, the twenty-third day of December, 1916, at two o'clock in the afternoon, all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed, namely: A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon, containing ten thousand four hundred fifty-five (10,455) square feet, more or less, situated on the southerly side of Tyler Street and the westerly side of Lawrence Street in said Lowell, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the northeasterly corner of the granted premises at the intersection of said streets; thence running southerly on said Lawrence Street one hundred two and one half (102½) feet to land now or formerly of E. B. Patch; thence running westerly at a right angle on said Patch land one hundred two (102) feet to land now or formerly of Horace J. Adams; thence running northerly on said Adams land one hundred two and one half (102½) feet to said Tyler street; thence running easterly on said Tyler Street one hundred two (102) feet to the point of beginning. Said premises will be conveyed subject to the condition or restriction so far as the same is now in force, that no building shall be erected on the same within eight (8) feet of said Tyler Street, as provided in earlier deeds. Being the same premises conveyed to said Jacob Krikorian by said John S. Brodie and Alvira Brodie by their deed dated January 28, 1915, and recorded in said Registry of Deeds, Book 533, Page 278. Said premises will be conveyed subject to all unpaid taxes or any other assessments if any there be.

Frederic S. Harvey,
Assignee of said mortgage.

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts.—Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of Cyrus G. Hatch, late of Lowell in said County, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by Harold A. Varnum, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-seventh day of December, A. D. 1916, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day at least, before said Court, and by mailing postpaid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this eleventh day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

F. M. ESTY, Register.

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REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

TO SETTLE ESTATE—A nine-room cottage house and barn, large lot of land for sale. House has bath and modern improvements. Located near Sacred Heart church. The place can be purchased at a low price and on easy terms if desired. Write E 42, Sun office.

COTTAGE for sale, two and one-half stories, 8 fine rooms, [illegible] 5 minutes walk to [illegible] price and terms [illegible] 47 Royal [illegible]

TO LET

STEAM HEATED ROOM to let in private family in Highlands, [illegible] bath privileges, gentleman preferred. [illegible] Sun office.

FURNISHED ROOMS, steam heat, at [illegible]

TENEMENT [illegible] Apply 17 Bowers st.

HEATED ROOM to let, pleasant location, preferred. 91 [illegible]

LARGE CORNER STORE to let, at [illegible] Middlesex st.; rent reasonable. Apply by phone 5118.

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If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

DECEMBER

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
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TRAINS TO AND FROM BOSTON

Southern Div. (To Boston Lve. Arr.; From Boston Lve. Arr.) — [illegible]

b Via Bedford. s Via Salem Jct. x Via Wilmington Jct. n not run on Holidays. h Saturdays only.

Portland Div.

To Boston Lve.	To Boston Arr.	From Boston Lve.	From Boston Arr.
6.35	7.36	9.15	10.22
7.34	8.45	10.50	11.53
9.45	10.55	11.50	12.55
10.59	12.07	3.30	4.41
12.05	1.13	5.14	6.12
3.42	4.41	6.13	7.05
5.14	6.44	6.49	7.57
7.07	8.17	9.49	11.14
10.15	11.38		

Sunday Trains

Southern Division

6.47	7.30	8.45	9.47
7.21	8.05	9.35	10.09
8.25	9.31	11.35	12.09
9.14	10.06	1.00	1.59
10.25	11.17	5.30	6.21
2.52	3.35	7.15	8.20
5.16	6.00	8.00	8.38
6.28	7.10	8.30	9.08
8.15	8.57	9.20	10.25
8.45	9.53	10.29	11.35
9.45	10.40		

Portland Division

8.20	9.30	8.00	9.18
12.07	1.16	12.00	1.00
3.56	5.06	3.30	4.45
5.45	7.00	5.30	6.36
8.55	10.04	8.45	9.47

KEY TO FIRE ALARM BOXES

1 All box numbers commencing [illegible] as 12, 13, etc. up [illegible] within a radius [illegible] from the Nor[illegible] Dutton street [illegible] street and the [illegible] street east [illegible] Merrimack mill [illegible] area [illegible] one-quarter mile [illegible] from the post office, extending [illegible] mills to South Common [illegible] Dutton street to Concord river.

3 [illegible] numbers commencing with [illegible] located in the Lower Highlands [illegible] extending [illegible] the depot [illegible] Wilder street, and from Hale street [illegible] of Western avenue and Pawtucket [illegible] to Pawtucket street.

4 All box numbers commencing with four are located in the Ayers City and Bleachery districts, extending from Edson cemetery northerly to Hale street [illegible] from Chelmsford street easterly to Concord river.

5 All numbers commencing with five, are located in the upper Highlands and Middlesex Village.

6 All numbers commencing with six, are located in Centralville.

7 All numbers commencing with seven, are located in Pawtucketville.

8 All numbers commencing with eight, are located in Belvidere.

LOST AND FOUND

FOUND—The best place in the city to purchase your greenery and cut flowers, wreaths and everything in decorating for Christmas is at McManmon's, Florist, at 6 Prescott st. We make a specialty of Christmas trees. Call and select what you want.

FOR SALE

JERSEY HEIFER for sale, 3 years old. Apply to Dennis Meagher, East Chelmsford, or St. Patrick's cemetery.

THREE COWS FOR SALE. Inquire of Dennis Meagher, East Chelmsford, or St. Patrick's cemetery.

UPRIGHT PIANO for sale, fine condition, cheap for cash 388 Fletcher st.

PARTY GOWN for sale, crepe de chine, size 36. Write E11, this office.

FAST ROADSTER in good condition, for sale, price $125. Address L18, Sun Office.

ROLLER CANARIES for sale, males and females, choice birds, reasonable price. Call rear of 110 Congress st.

PIANO bargain, upright, chair, $75; easy terms. Write S 49, Sun Office.

SPECIAL NOTICES

DIAMOND RINGS, $10 up, diamond pendants, $8 up, Waltham, 16 size watches, $8.75 up, Waltham ladies' watches, $10.00 up; bracelet watches, solid gold, $6 up, ruby and sapphire rings, $4.50 to $7.50. High rent makes high prices. My rent is low; no clerks to pay. J. D. Collett, established 7 years, 259 Middlesex st.

TEACHER thoroughly competent, several years experience in public work, will instruct persons of neglected education privately in all branches of English language, mathematics, [illegible] civil service and textile work. Apply Teacher, 358 Westford st. Tel. [illegible]

PEOPLE troubled with poor circulation and rheumatism, try vibratory massage and medicated baths. Madame [illegible] Appleton street.

MRS. H. LAVESQUE, dressmaker, formerly at 56 Howard street, is now at [illegible]

ROOMS PAPERED, $2.00. We will paper your room with up-to-date wall paper for $2.00. Also painting, glazing, whitewashing, etc. H. J. Mc[illegible] Broadway.

WANTED

TENANTS wanted for Post 120, G. A. R. hall, 202 Merrimack st., second and fourth Monday evenings, second and fourth Tuesdays, first and third Wednesdays and every Friday evening. Inquire of janitor, or C. H. Flanders, [illegible] hall.

FINE WASHINGS wanted, for waists, [illegible] women, prices reasonable. [illegible] Fourth st., Centralville, side door.

MARBLE SLAB wanted 36 to 48 inches wide and 3 to 4 feet long, also [illegible] 5 to 6 gallon coffee [illegible]

HOME wanted for upright piano, [illegible] at once. Might consider selling later if satisfactory arrangement can be made. Address [illegible] Sun office.

SALVARSAN "606"

Given at Dr. Dugdale's Lowell office for BLOOD POISON, LOCOMOTOR ATAXIA and SKIN diseases. Blood tests made. Also treats diseases of the eye, ear, nose, throat, stomach, liver, kidneys and bowels.

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HUNTING SEASON ENDS; 12 LIVES LOST IN MAINE

AUGUSTA, Me., Dec. 15—Twelve persons lost their lives while hunting in the woods of Maine during the big game season, which began on Nov. 1 and closes an hour after sunset tonight, according to an official statement issued today at the state fish and game department. In addition it is known that ten lives were lost before the season opened. Of the fatal accidents during the season four victims were mistaken for deer and one for a bear, three were shot accidentally by companions, three shot themselves and one became lost and died from exposure.

FIRST UNIVERSALIST CHURCH

The annual parish dinner held last evening in the vestry of the First Universalist church proved a very delightful affair. There was a large attendance and the program offered was particularly pleasing.

Supper was served at 6.30 o'clock by the following committee of women of the church: Mrs. Wm. F. Lane, chairman; Mrs. Strout, Mrs. Charles Weston, Mrs. Harry Thompson, Mrs. Emery Blodgett, Mrs. Isaac Wotton, Mrs. D. Swann, Mrs. Lucy Atwood, Mrs. Alexander, Mrs. Walter Miller, Mrs. John Mills, Mrs. Fred Whitney, Mrs. Alice Batchelder, Mrs. Clements, Mrs. Dahlstrom, Mrs. Ekengren, Mrs. McLeod, Mrs E. A. Bartlett and Mrs. George Brothers.

During the supper hour Gray's Banjo-Mandolin orchestra furnished an excellent program of numbers, and later in the evening the church choir pleased the audience with the following numbers: "Song of Greeting," by Wooller; "A Message to Phyllis," by Wareing; "Bella Napoli," by Boscovitz; "In the Merry Month of May," by Merchant. Mrs. Helen C. Taylor was the accompanist.

Dr. William B. Jones was the toastmaster of the evening, and those who spoke, besides the pastor, Rev. C. E. Fisher, were Rev. W. H. Morrison, D.D., of Nashua, N. H., Rev. N. W. Matthews, Rev. A. R. Mussey, Rev. J. M. Craig and Rev. A. C. Ferrin.

Tonight Wall's Union orchestra.

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REPORT CITY OF PUEBLA, MEX., CAPTURED

EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 15.—Rebel troops under the command of Jose Ysabel Robles were reported here today by a local representative of the Robles faction to have captured the city of Puebla, southeast of Mexico City on Dec. 10, after six days of fighting. Gen. Cesario Castro, the Carranza leader, was driven from the city and the important neighboring railway junction of Esperanza also fell, according to the same authority.

Robles was a former Villa chief, who surrendered to the Carranza authorities, receiving a command. Some months ago he deserted and started a revolution of his own. He has since been operating in the states of Oaxaca and Puebla.

TO GRANT DEMANDS OF THE STRIKERS

AMERICAN CLOTHING MANUFACTURERS' ASSOCIATION TO GRANT INCREASE IN WAGES

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The American Clothing Manufacturers' association, representing most of the manufacturers whose workers are on strike announced today that on next Monday they will grant an increase in wages demanded by the strikers. The manufacturers, however, refused to reduce the working time from 50 hours a week to 48, the other demand presented by the strikers. Officers of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America state that many manufacturers have made individual agreements and that nearly half of the original strikers have resumed work under the new conditions.

URGES BUILDING OF HOME FOR WORKERS

DR. NOLAN SAYS THIS PLAN MUST BE FOLLOWED TO ELIMINATE CRIME AND VICE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Building of homes for industrial workers on a large scale was advocated by speakers today before the American Civic association. "Real estate speculation with its enormous profits and exploitation risks must give way to home-building backed with adequate capital and economical factory methods," said Dr. John Nolan of Cambridge, Mass., "if the American city of the future is to house its industrial population under circumstances which will eliminate tendencies toward vice, crime and degeneracy."

IN BOSTON

The Sun is on sale every day at both news stands of the Union station in Boston. Don't forget this when taking your train for Lowell.

61 OF CREW OF U. S. TRANSPORT LANDED

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The United States army transport Kilpatrick arrived here today with 61 members of the crew of the transport Sumner, still hard aground off Barnegat, N. J. Some of the officers and seamen of the Sumner remained at their posts and unusually high tides are awaited to assist the vessels standing by to drag the transport into deeper water.

The Kilpatrick came north from Newport News to take the Sumner's place on the route from New York to the canal zone and stopped at the former's position yesterday to take off those of the crew ordered ashore. The passengers had been rescued previously.

$4,000,000 APARTMENT BLOCK FOR NEW YORK

STRUCTURE THIRTEEN STORIES HIGH COVERING A CITY BLOCK TO BE ERECTED THERE

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Plans for New York's largest apartment house, a structure 13 stories high, covering the city block bounded by Lexington and Park avenue and 48th and 49th streets, were announced here today. The building will cost $4,000,000 and the project, including a long lease of the site, will involve an expenditure of more than $8,000,000.

Wall's orchestra, Hibernian hall.

LECTURE ON LABRADOR

The Men's club of the Grace Universalist church held a meeting last evening with John Bisbee, who was formerly associated with Dr. Wilfred Grenfell in his medical missionary work in Labrador, as the principal speaker. His talk was illustrated by many lantern slides, and these, added to the speaker's works, gave a vivid picture of conditions in barren, neglected Labrador. George H. Runels, president of the club, presided, and after the speaking luncheon was served.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

NO CHANGE IN POLICY OF SWITZERLAND

LOYAL AND STRICT NEUTRALITY TOWARD ALL THE BELLIGERENTS

PARIS, Dec. 15.—Edmund Scaulthess, the new president of Switzerland, in an interview with the Berne correspondent of the Petit Journal, affirms the intention of his country to maintain strict neutrality.

"The policy of Switzerland" President Schulthess asserts, "dictated by our traditions, our desires and even by our vital interests is and will remain that of loyal and strict neutrality toward all the belligerents—a neutrality sustained by an immovable resolution to defend our integrity and independence against all comers.

"The economic position of Switzerland is very complex. She is obliged, in order to exist, to work and maintain relations with both groups of belligerents. This is not done without misunderstanding, but I think I am not mistaken in saying that economic misunderstandings between Switzerland and France are on the point of completely disappearing."

GOVERNORS' CONFERENCE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15. State administrative problems were discussed at the first of today's sessions of the governors' conference here.

America's duties and responsibilities after the war was the topic for the afternoon session with Gov. McCall of Massachusetts occupying the chair.

Y.W.C.A. ENTERTAINMENT

The real meaning of the Christmas spirit was brought home to about 150 young people in the Y.W.C.A. last evening where a pretty entertainment was held. Miss Helen Barnes, the president of the association, greeted the guests. As the strains of "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing" were heard from a chorus of girls led by Miss Ella Russell, the "Christmas Spirit," Miss Ruth Choate appeared and bade all celebrate the season in the true spirit of the Christ child, lighting her candle and placing it in the window to signify to passersby "The House of Friendliness."

A program followed in Kitson hall, with readings by Miss Mildred McKnight, violin solos by Miss Dorothy Farley; vocal and instrumental numbers by Miss Alice Crompton and Miss Helen Brooks. The evening's program closed with the singing of the beautiful Christmas carols so familiar to all.

UNDER-SECRETARY OF FRENCH FINANCE

ALBERT METIN, GENERAL BUDGET REPORTER OF CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES, APPOINTED

PARIS, Dec. 15.—Albert Metin, general budget reporter of the chamber of deputies and formerly minister of labor, has been appointed under-secretary of finance. M. Metin and the other under-secretaries will not attend cabinet meetings.

The government will appoint shortly a number of technical assistants drawn from the ranks of acknowledged experts. They will direct special departments of the various ministers.

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16th, at 3 P. M.

SALE AT PUBLIC AUCTION OF ATTRACTIVE COTTAGE HOUSE AND HALF ACRE FINE GARDEN LAND SITUATED AT 380 RIVERSIDE STREET

In accordance with instructions from the heirs of the late Levi Milner, in process of the settlement of the estate we shall offer on the premises at the date and hour above mentioned this most desirable parcel of suburban property. It is splendidly situated on a main street within five minutes walk of the Moody street electrics and less than 20 minutes walk of city hall. The land totals 20,545 square feet. It is of the finest grade of soil and affords an opportunity for large and productive garden, there already being an abundance and large variety of fruit trees and shrubbery. There is a first class poultry house accommodating forty hens on the premises. The house is in cottage style and has seven fine rooms and is supplied with gas and city water. The nearness of the property to the mill centre and the downtown district together with its large garden facilities makes it most desirable and of a type rarely offered at auction sale.

TERMS: $200 to be paid or secured to the auctioneer as soon as the property is struck off.

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By GEORGE F. STILES.....Auctioneer

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE

ON SATURDAY, DEC. 16, AT 3 O'CLOCK P. M., ON THE PREMISES, NO. 973 CENTRAL ST., NEAR THE CORNER OF CEDAR STREET, LOWELL, MASS.

Will be sold at public auction, a valuable renting property, consisting of the three-story building containing three tenements of five rooms each, with bath; also the cottage house in rear of same, containing six rooms and bath. A first-class chance for investment.

Terms of sale—The sum of $200 to be paid auctioneer when property is struck off. Other terms at sale.

FREDERIC S. HARVEY,
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